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England v Rumania, Wembley, April 29 . . . exclusi



England must



Despair on the faces of the England players and delight for the Rumanians as Anghel Jordanescu wheels away after beating Ray Clemence from the penalty spot to give Rumania a 2-1 victory in Bucharest last October.

ENGLAND v RUMANIA (past meetings)

May 24, 1939 Bucharest 2-0
Goulden, Welsh; Nov. 6, 1968
Bucharest 0-0; Jan. 15, 1969
Wembley 1-1 J. Charlton; June 2,
1970 Guadalajara (WC) 1-0
Hurst; Oct. 15, 1980 Bucharest
(WC) 1-2 Woodcock.

England's recent international results

June 12, '80, v Belgium (EC), 1-1; June
15, '80, v Italy (EC), 0-1; June 18, '80, v
Spain (EC), 2-1; Sep. 10, '80 v Norway
(WC), 4-0; Oct. 15, '80, v Rumania,
1-2; Nov. 19, '80, v Switzerland (WC),
2-1; Mar. 25, '81, v Spain (F), 1-2.
KEY: WC — World Cup; EC —
European Championship; F —
FRIENDLY. (England's results first in
each case).

Sansom seeks revenge

ENGLAND must win their game
against Rumania to restore
public confidence in the team,
says Arsenal's Kenny Sansom.

"We were as disappointed as
anyone about the Spain defeat,
but it's made us determined to
go out and show people that we
can play," said Kenny.

"It's our most important game
for a long time and there's no
doubt we've got to win.

"We don't just want to get to
Spain — we want to go there as
champions of our group."

Kenny has special reason for
wanting to do well against the
Rumanians because he was
involved in a controversial
penalty incident which gave the

East Europeans a 2-1 victory in
Bucharest.

"The penalty was very unfair
because I never touched their
forward Zoltan Cristian — he just
dived in the box," said Kenny.

"I'll be on my guard against
him this time and make sure
there's no repeat of that incident.

"We're all very confident we
can beat the Rumanians. We've
just got to close them down and
not give them a chance to play."

*Right: Arsenal's
Kenny Sansom —
he has special cause to
remember the Rumanians.*

SPAIN showed the world how
to play against England at
Wembley.

The way they beat us 2-1 in
that fateful friendly last
month will have been
watched with great interest
— and no doubt delight — by
the other teams in our World
Cup group.

I can just see the Rumanian
team manager giving his side
their pre-match instructions.

"Close them down, don't let
them play it out from the back,"
he will be telling them.

"Contain them when they come
forward and then catch them on
the break — quickly and
decisively, just like Spain."

OK, so Spain got it right at
Wembley. And there's no doubt,
that following their example,
Rumania will be trying to make
life very difficult for us.

They'll pack men behind the
ball to frustrate us when we go
forward.

But I believe the Rumanians
will find a very different England



ve Match Weekly preview.

improve

... and the experiments
should stop

Says **KEVIN
KEEGAN**

when we meet on April 29.

For a start we have GOT to improve. The only good thing about the Spain game was that it gave us all a good kick up the backside. We were not good enough!

Secondly, I don't think Ron Greenwood will pick the same team in this vital Group Four qualifier.

This game is too important to take chances and I believe Ron will bring back the players who have never let him down.

In a match this crucial you have got to stick with your proven players. What is the point of experimenting at this stage and then England failing to reach the World Cup finals?

'Rumania deserved to win in Bucharest'

That way we all suffer — experienced internationals and newcomers alike. Nobody gets to go to Spain.

The lads who got their chance against Spain deserved to play for England.

Of course, it would have been better for them particularly Osman and Butcher — if we had produced a better team performance. But good players don't turn bad overnight and I'm sure they have great international futures.

Establishing a place in the England team takes time. I know that better than anyone.

I did nothing in my first 10 games and it was a long time

Right: Match Weekly columnist Kevin Keegan in serious mood as he contemplates the game against Rumania.

before I bridged that yawning gap between club and country.

If I am selected this will be my first game against Rumania.

I was injured when we lost 2-1 in Bucharest last October, but watched the whole game live on television at the BBC studios.

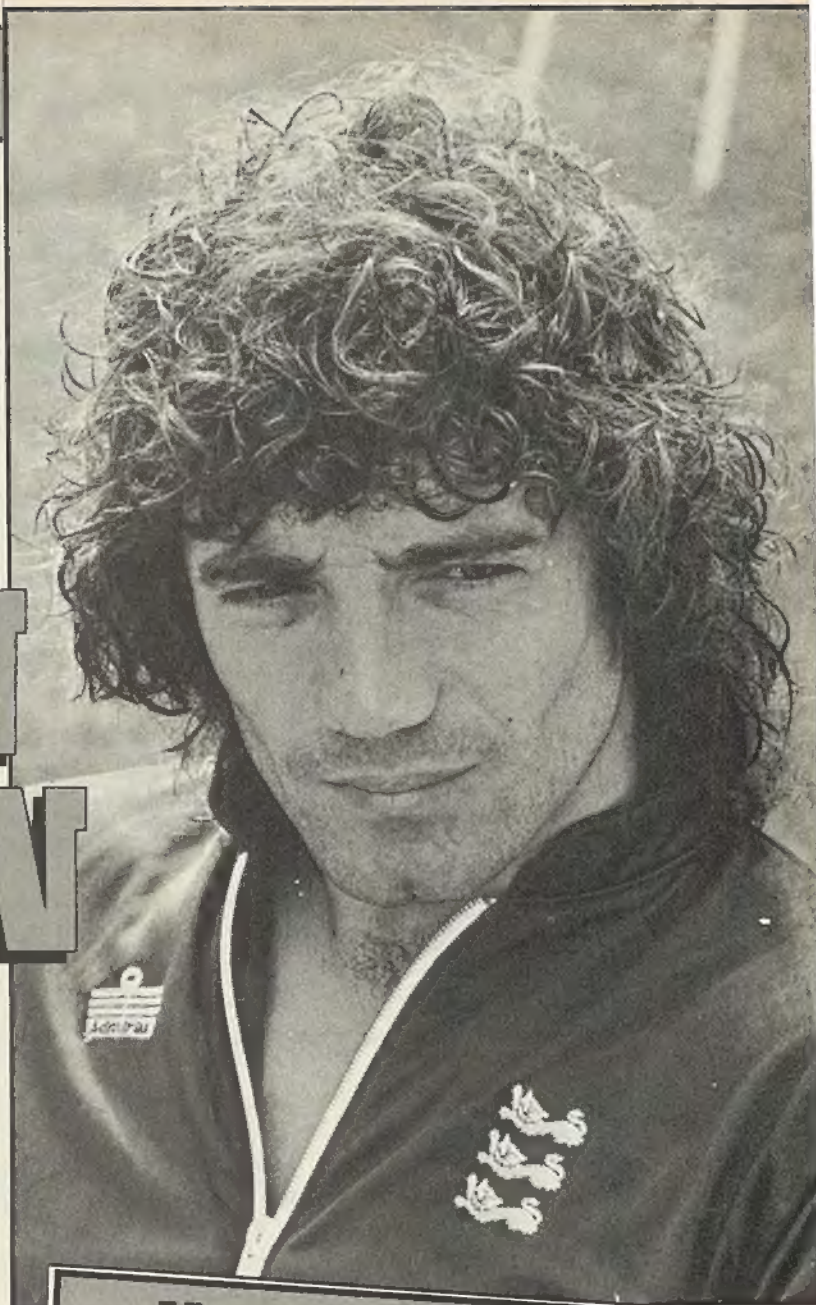
That game proved to us that Rumania are not a weak side. They deserved to win and showed they can play a bit.

The thing that impressed me most was the way they play very much as a team, with no real individual stars.

These sort of sides are the hardest to play against. You can shut out one or two stars and stop a side playing, but strength in depth is more difficult to counter.

I played with one of the better known Rumanians, Georgescu, in a European team two seasons ago just after he'd won a Golden Boot award — a trophy given to the player scoring the most League goals in Europe in a season.

He notched 40 that season — so he'll be one to watch if he plays.

How they stand Group Four

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	3	2	0	1	7	3	4
Rumania	2	1	1	0	3	2	3
Norway	3	1	1	1	3	6	3
Switzerland	2	0	0	2	2	4	0
Hungary	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

England's remaining matches in Group Four

May 30 Switzerland (A)
June 6 Hungary (A)
Sept. 9 Norway (A)
Nov. 18 Hungary (H)
Other remaining group fixtures: Hungary v Rumania (May 13), Norway v Hungary (May 20), Rumania v Norway (June 3), Norway v Switzerland (June 17), Rumania v Hungary (Sept. 23), Rumania v Switzerland (Oct. 10), Hungary v Switzerland (Oct. 14), Hungary v Norway (Oct. 31), Switzerland v Rumania (Nov. 11).

OVER the page we preview the vital World Cup qualifying games involving Scotland and Northern Ireland.

JIMMY NICHOLL TIPS AN IRISH WIN BUT WARNS . . .

FULL-BACK Jimmy Nicholl says Northern Ireland will never have a better chance of reaching the World Cup Finals.

On the eve of their crucial clash with Portugal in Belfast, the Manchester United defender says: "If we don't make the finals then we will live to regret it."

"With two to qualify from a group of five and following the point in Scotland we will never have a better chance."

"If we had lost in Scotland I think we would have been doomed, but that draw has lifted the team."

"Three points from the next two games against Portugal and Sweden (away) will set us up."

"After that we have Scotland and Israel at home and we fear no-one in Belfast."

"Scotland are as good as in Spain, so the other place rests between ourselves and Portugal. That's why this week's game is one of our most important for years."

Despite the 1-0 defeat in Lisbon back in November, Jimmy is confident the Irish can gain revenge and boost their chances of reaching the Finals for the first time since 1958.

"We know exactly how they will play. They will be coming for a draw as they did in Scotland and it's going to be a matter of us being patient," he says.

"I would be more worried if they were to come with a more positive attitude. In the second half of the match in Lisbon they

Left: Northern Ireland full-back Jimmy Nicholl: "We'll never have a better chance of reaching the World Cup Finals."

'We must

N. IRELAND v PORTUGAL

looked a very good side going forward.

"With a full house of 35,000 behind us, I think that we will be capable of getting a goal somewhere along the line."

The strength of the Irish team, according to Jimmy, is at the centre of the defence with Southampton's Chris Nicholl and young Leicester defender John O'Neill.

Previous meetings

SCOTLAND v ISRAEL

Feb 25, 1981 Tel Aviv (WC) 1-0 Dalglish

N. IRELAND v PORTUGAL

Jan 16, 1957 Lisbon (WC) 1-1 Bingham

May 1, 1957 Belfast (WC) 3-0 Casey, Simpson, McIlroy

Mar 28, 1973 Coventry (WC) 1-1 O'Neill

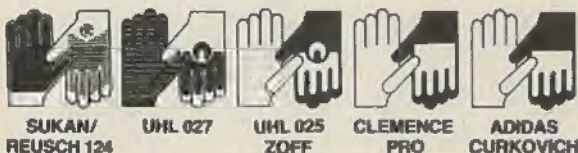
Nov 14, 1973 Lisbon (WC) 1-1 O'Kane

Nov. 19, 1980 Lisbon (WC) 0-1



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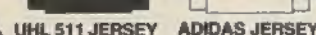


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MATCH Weekly previews Scotland's crucial World Cup qualifier against Israel at Hampden Park on Tuesday, April 28, and Northern Ireland's crunch match with Portugal at Windsor Park on Wednesday, April 29.

...patient'

"They are a dominating pair, particularly in the air, and one never feels any real pressure when they are around.

"In midfield Martin O'Neill and Sammy McIlroy are creative players and up front young Billy Hamilton is always capable of getting a goal.

"But you never know with us Irish. We often lose matches we expect to win, and win matches we expect to lose!"

Right: Partick Thistle and Scotland goalkeeper Alan Rough: "Victory against Israel is very important."



WORLD CUP '82

'Four enough'—says Rough

GOALKEEPER Alan Rough believes victory for Scotland in their next two World Cup matches could clinch their place in the finals.

Scotland — currently leading their group with six points — are at home to Israel next week and follow that match with another home game against Sweden.

And, says Alan: "Ten or eleven points could well be enough to make sure Scotland qualify."

Alan, who has conceded just one goal in the four qualifying matches Scotland have played so far, admits, therefore, that victory over Israel at Hampden is vital.

"We should be confident having beaten Israel 1-0 away from home, but at the same time we won't be underestimating the opposition.

"They have a lot of very skilful players in their side — not least their wee number nine Damti who was very nippy when we played them over there.

Organised

"Liverpool's Avi Cohen had a good game against us and the midfielder Tabak also played well. They were very well organised.

"We didn't play well in the first half over there but it had been four or five months since we had been together.

"In fact, in most of the games we have played it has taken us 45 minutes to get settled.

"But we have had two victories away from home and that has to be a tremendous bonus.

"We have faltered at home a couple of times —

Scotland's keeper believes two wins could clinch Spain trip.

SCOTLAND v ISRAEL

against Portugal and Northern Ireland — but Portugal just came here to defend.

"And although we have scored just three goals so far — I think the answer to that is just finding the right pairing up front — we have only conceded one.

"Celtic's Danny McGrain has been playing exceptionally well and Alex McLeish has also done very well. Their confidence rubs off on me.

"There's no doubt victory in the game against Israel is very important for the sake of our fans as much as the points.

"Northern Ireland play Portugal on the following night and if the Portuguese win it would leave us in a pretty strong position . . . so long as we do the same."

How they stand

World Cup, Group Six

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Scotland	4	2	2	0	3	1	6
Portugal	3	2	1	0	4	0	5
N. Ireland	4	1	2	1	4	2	4
Israel	5	0	3	2	1	5	3
Sweden	4	0	2	2	1	5	2

Results so far:

SCOTLAND

Sept 9	Sweden (A)	1-0 Strachan
Oct 15	Portugal (H)	0-0
Feb 25	Israel (A)	1-0 Dalglish
March 25	N. Ireland (H)	1-1 Wark

N. IRELAND

Oct 15	Sweden (H)	3-0 Brotherston, McIlroy, Nicholl
Nov 19	Portugal (A)	0-1
March 25	Scotland (A)	1-1 Hamilton

Fixtures for Scotland and Northern Ireland.

TO PLAY

SCOTLAND: Sept 9 — Sweden (H); Oct 14 — N. Ireland (A); Nov 18 — Portugal (A).

N. IRELAND: June 3 — Sweden (A); Oct 14 — Scotland (H); Nov 18 — Israel (H).

OTHER GROUP FIXTURES: Sweden v Portugal (June 24), Portugal v Sweden (Oct 14), Israel v Portugal (Oct 28).



Forest star scored 15 in one game!

COLIN Walsh's record as a goal-scorer since arriving on the senior scene at Nottingham Forest would satisfy the most seasoned midfield player.

But as he revealed, scoring goals is not an entirely fresh experience: "When I was eight years old and living in Hamilton, I once scored 15 in a game for St Anne's club."

"We won 22-0 that day and although I've never really been renowned as a goal-scorer since I joined Forest, I'm delighted at the way they've gone in for me."

Left: Forest's Colin Walsh — scoring goals is not an entirely new experience.

Boss in boots

WHICH current managers were the most prolific goalscorers in their playing days?

Well, Brian Clough (Forest), Ron Saunders (Aston Villa), Allan Clarke (Leeds United) and Geoff Hurst (Chelsea), all hit over 200 League goals.

Burton bargains

PETER Ward and Steve Buckley for the bargain basement figure of £6,000?

That's the total non-League Burton Albion received when they sold the two players to Brighton and Luton respectively.

Ward has since been transferred to Nottingham Forest for £400,000 and Buckley to Derby for £166,000. Any more bargains at Burton we wonder?

Right: Steve Buckley — bargain buy from non-League Burton.

ITALY HONOUR WARK

IPSWICH Town's ace marksman John Wark, the Professional Footballers' Association 'Player of the Year', looks set to win another award this season.

Italian magazine Guerin Sportivo organises a competition for the outstanding young player in Europe and at the moment John is leading the way.

Two other British players, Liverpool's Jimmy Case and Manchester United's Garry Birtles (when with Nottingham Forest),



have won the award, which is for players under 24 at the start of the season.

After each European programme a total of thirty pressmen vote for the three players who have impressed them most on the night's Euro action.

TITLE TRIO

IN THE last 20 years only three player-managers have managed to lead their team to title triumphs in any of the League divisions.

They are: Peter Morris (now Peterborough) with Mansfield in 1976-77, Arfon Griffiths with Wrexham in 1977-78 and Graham Turner with Shrewsbury in 1978-79.

It doesn't look as though anyone will add his name to that elite band this season either.

Match Chat

Compiled by Bob Warters



Call me Kenny

MEET the new Kenny Dalglish! This Liverpool fan's former name was Allan O'Hare, but he paid £12 to have it changed by deed poll.

"I want to be known as Kenny from now on. He's magic," says the 19-year-old super fan who works in a furniture factory in Liverpool.

As for the REAL Kenny Dalglish, he says: "I'm amazed... but flattered." Kenny number two is pictured surrounded by pictures of his famous namesake.



Tommy takes award again

FOR the second time this season, Celtic's flame-haired star Tommy Burns was named our Matchman of the Month.

Here, Tommy receives his February plaque from Celtic's former West Brom 'keeper Peter Latchford.

PEN PALS

I AM a 13-year-old Brentford supporter who would like a boy pen pal of about the same age who supports a Third Division team.

Sarah Foster, 349 Whitton Dene, Isleworth, Middlesex.

I AM a 16-year-old Rangers supporter who would like a girl pen pal who supports Liverpool.

David Wallace, 7 Maxwellton Street, Paisley, Renfrewshire.

A 14-year-old Swindon Town supporter would like a pen pal who supports the same team.

Shaun Ferguson, 124 Hungerdown Lane, Chippenham, Wilts.

A 16-year-old Wolves fan would like a pen pal who supports the club and lives in the Wolverhampton area.

John Beadnell, 6 Bede Avenue, Burton Stone Lane, York.

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Arthur's the odd man out

ARTHUR Albiston finds the Manchester United training ground a lonely place when the Home Countries are involved in midweek internationals.

He is the only member of United's current first team squad who has neither won a full international cap or is currently involved in 'B' internationals and Under-21 games, like Gary Bailey and Mike Duxbury.

United's list of internationals resembles a telephone directory . . .

● England — Steve Coppell, Ray Wilkins, Garry Birtles, Gary Bailey ('B' team) and Mike Duxbury (Under-21s)

● Scotland — Martin Buchan, Gordon McQueen, Joe Jordan and Lou Macari

● Northern Ireland — Sammy McIlroy, Tom Sloan and Jimmy Nicholl

● Eire — Kevin Moran, Ashley Grimes and Paddy Roche

● Wales — Mike Thomas

● Yugoslavia — Nikola Jovanovic

Several seasons ago Arthur won a Scottish Under-21 cap, but a full cap has eluded him.

"I think every player sets his sights on playing for his country," says the 23-year-old left back.

"But at the moment I'm just concentrating on doing my best for United. Anything else would be a bonus."

"Of course the better the team does, the more it boosts my chances of international honours."

Right: Arthur Albiston — international misfit.

City's loss

EXPECT several of the top clubs to announce big losses at the end of the season. The question is, will any club approach — or indeed exceed — Manchester City's experience last season? Their £1,663,000 deficit added up to the biggest loss ever sustained by a League club.



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BOLTON midfielder player
Peter Reid is open to offers
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and despair, he's as keen on a
move now as he was at the start
of the season when he refused to
play for the Second Division club
after they had failed to agree a
fee with Wolves.

He now admits that his
self-imposed exile for almost
three months was a mistake, but
he has no regrets about his battle
to get into the First Division.

"I would do it all again if
necessary, only the next time I
would continue to play.

"A footballer must keep
playing if he can, irrespective of
the dispute," says Peter, whose
misery this season has been
completed by a cartilage
operation.

"At the time I was keen to sign
for Wolves, but I don't think they
would be interested again.

"I would now be content to
play for any club in the First
Division.

"I am still on a conditional
contract with Bolton and I
haven't discussed the future with
them recently.

"At present I am simply happy
to be playing again after
spending three months on the
sidelines following my
operation."

Having played only a handful
of games this season, Peter has
had little opportunity to parade
his talents in the shop window.

So he expects to be lining up in
the Bolton side at the start of
next season: "I shall have a
holiday in the summer and then
hope I can get a full season of
football.

"Football is a game of ups and
downs. I've had my share of
downs over the past few
seasons, so I am now hoping for
a few ups," says Peter.

FOOTBALL CRAZY

by MITCH



VILLA 1 IPSWICH TOWN 2

Exclusive!

Focus on the crunch League meeting between Aston Villa and Ipswich Town at Villa Park last week. We capture the action in pictures and Villa skipper and Match columnist Dennis Mortimer gives his verdict.



We're not finished yet!

TWO mistakes cost us victory over Ipswich . . . and blew the championship race wide open again.

Our 2-1 defeat at Villa Park means that the title probably won't be decided until the very last game of the season.

And that's why I still believe we can bring the trophy back to Aston Villa for the first time since 1910.

There's still a lot can happen. Ipswich face a hectic run-in and that could be their undoing.

Towards the end of last week's game there were a lot of tired Ipswich legs and I feel some of their players face a long hard battle to keep themselves going.

We faced an uphill struggle from the moment Alan Brazil nipped in to score. A goal in the first five minutes was just the boost Ipswich needed after their FA Cup semi-final defeat against Manchester City.

But apart from our two vital errors I felt we had the better chances to win the match.

If you're chasing the Championship you can't afford to make mistakes like we did.

Insists Aston Villa's DENNIS MORTIMER

It's been an important time for the players at Villa and some of them have never been in this position before. Nerves are bound to get to you.

I told the players in the dressing room after the game that we've got to get our heads down and win our remaining games.

It's important that we all believe we can still win the Championship — any player who doesn't think we can shouldn't be playing.



Top: One nil! The ball is on it's way from Alan Brazil's foot to beat Jimmy Rimmer in the Villa goal and put Ipswich one up following a mix-up in the home team's defence.

Above: Villa's Colin Gibson (left) and Ipswich striker Paul Mariner fight it out for the ball.

Above left: A hug that says we've done it as Ipswich skipper Mick Mills is lifted off the ground by big centre-back Terry Butcher after the final whistle.

Left: Terry Butcher (6) can only watch as striker Gary Shaw crashes in a shot to pull the score back to 2-1 . . . but that's the way it stayed.

Pictures by Bill Goulden.



The KENNY DALGLISH STORY

PART 16

DESPITE FAILING TO WIN ANY OF THEIR HOME INTERNATIONAL GAMES AGAINST N. IRELAND, WALES & ENGLAND, SCOTLAND ARE GIVEN A MEMORABLE SEND OFF TO THE WORLD CUP IN ARGENTINA WHEN 40,000 FANS TURN UP AT WAMPDEN TO CHEER THEM ON THEIR WAY - & THOUSANDS MORE LINE THE ROUTE TO THE AIRPORT.

THE STORY SO FAR ... KENNY HAS JOINED LIVERPOOL FROM CELTIC & CAPPED A GREAT FIRST SEASON BY SCORING LIVERPOOL'S 1978 EUROPEAN CUP WINNING GOAL AGAINST FC BRUGES AT WEMBLEY.

SCOTLAND STARTED WELL IN CORDOBA IN THEIR OPENING MATCH ON JUNE 2 WHEN AFTER QUIROGA FAILED TO HOLD BRUCE RIOCH'S SHOT JOE JORDAN KNOCKED IN THE REBOUND

PERU EQUALISED & MASSON HAD A PENALTY SAVED - THEN THE BRILLIANT CUBILLAS STRUCK WITH TWO GOALS. THE FIRST BENT EXPERTLY ROUND THE SCOTTISH WALL AT A FREE-KICK. SCORE PERU 3 - SCOTLAND 1.

KENNY BROKE THE SCOTTISH RECORD WITH HIS 56TH CAP IN THE NEXT GAME AGAINST THE IRAN OUTSIDERS BUT IT WAS NOT A HAPPY OCCASION, WITH THE SCOTS HELD TO A 1-1 DRAW.

SCOTLAND'S LAST CHANCE TO SALVAGE A PLACE IN THE IN THE QUARTER FINALS LEFT THEM NEEDING TO BEAT FANCIED HOLLAND BY THREE GOALS - THE DUTCH SCORED FIRST BUT KENNY EQUALISED, HOOKING IN A VOLLEY JUST BEFORE HALF TIME. THEN ARCHIE GEMMILL MADE IT 2-1 WITH A PENALTY.

GEMMILL GAVE SCOTLAND HOPE WITH THE GOAL OF THE TOURNAMENT, A BRILLIANT SOLO EFFORT, BUT REP SEALED THEIR FATE & DESPITE A 3-2 WIN SCOTLAND WERE OUT.

KENNY RETURNED HOME & WATCHED THE REST OF THE TOURNAMENT ON TV... ARGENTINA RUNNING OUT WORTHY WORLD CHAMPIONS BY BEATING HOLLAND 3-1 IN EXTRA TIME, WITH GOALS FROM KEMPE (2) & BERTONI.

NEXT WEEK
SPURS CRUSHED BY MAGNIFICENT SEVEN.

STORY
BOB WALTERS
GRAPHICS
BOB WALTERS

A full-page photograph of footballer Martyn Bennett in action. He is wearing a white and black striped West Bromwich Albion kit, white shorts, and white socks. He is running towards the camera with a focused expression. The background is a blurred stadium filled with spectators. In the top right corner, the words "match action" are written in a stylized, italicized font. In the bottom right corner, his name "MARTYN BENNETT" is printed in large, bold, green-outlined letters, with "West Brom" in white text below it.

**match
action**

**MARTYN
BENNETT**

West Brom

Vince Hilaire on the Crystal Palace crisis

'IT'S BEEN A NIGHTMARE'

VINCE Hilaire is set to play his last 'home' game for Crystal Palace on Saturday.

And the talented young midfielder will be looking to give the fans something special to remember him by.

Vince — still determined to part company with the club when the season is over — told me:

"A lot of the blame for the club's poor season has been levelled at boardroom and managerial level, but 75 per cent of it must be down to the players.

I haven't had more than ten good performances.

"Not too many can claim to have had good seasons — myself included. Before the start of this month I don't think I'd put together more than ten good performances.

The fans at Selhurst Park must have thought I wasn't interested in playing well for the club because I wanted to leave, but that couldn't be further from the truth.

"It's just that my better performances this season seem to have come when we have been away from home.

"If I'm playing, I just hope I can finish our season at home on a good note against Nottingham Forest."

Palace's fate of Second Division football next season was decided as early as April 4 when they lost 1-0 to Manchester United.

Terry Boyle has come out with most credit.

Says Vince: "It's been a nightmare — both for the club and me personally. I think one of the main reasons why we did so well in the First Division the season before last was that we took a lot of teams by surprise.

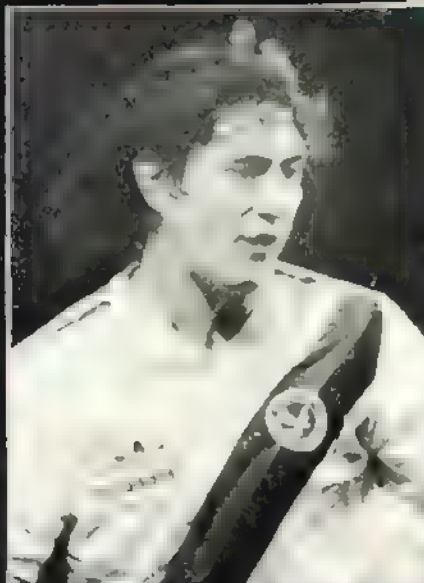
"We started off this season playing the same way and our opponents were that little bit wiser."

On top of that Palace have had four different managers this season — Terry Venables, Ernie Walley, Malcolm Allison and now Dario Gradi.

But despite the overall disappointments of the season the team has had its successes.

Says Vince: "Shaun Brooks has had a run in the side and begun to play well. Goalkeeper Paul Barron took a bit of unfair criticism in the early days but he's come good and Paul Hinshelwood always gives 100 per cent.

MATCH WEEKLY



Above right: Vince Hilaire — he'll leave Palace when the season is over.

Above: Terry Boyle — shone this season for Palace.

"But of everyone, I believe Terry Boyle has come out with most credit. I've never seen a better header of the ball, he's always given as good as he's got and he's won himself a Welsh cap."

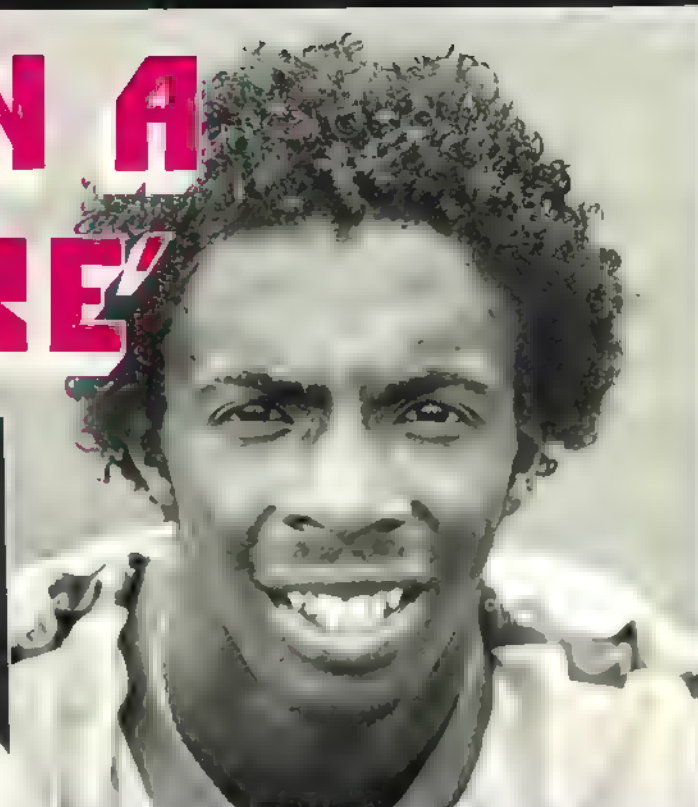
David Price: I never realised how good he was.

As for his own future Vince says: "My position has never changed since I asked to go on the transfer list. "I didn't see eye to eye with Ernie Walley over a couple of things but I have nothing against him as a person. "I don't really mind where I go because you can't pick and choose your clubs, but if it's a First Division club that comes in for me then all well and good."

Palace can go straight back up.

As for the future of the club he'll be leaving behind, Vince says: "They may need a couple of new signings, but I think they can go straight back up to the 'First' next season.

"David Price was a very good signing — I never realised just how good a player he is. And I think Tommy Langley will come good."



IN THE table below Paul Stratton has predicted scorelines for ten of Saturday's matches... and the challenge is beat him if you can.

There's a space for your forecasts, one for dad and a column for the actual results.

Award yourself two points for every score you get right and one point if you get a result right (i.e. home win, away win, draw).

STRATTON ON Saturday

Saturday
April 25

Match	My forecast	Your forecast	Dad's forecast	RESULT
Crystal P. v Nott'm F	2-1			
Man. Utd v Norwich	4-1			
Spurs v Liverpool	2-2			
Notts Co. v Watford	1-0			
Sheff. W v West Ham	2-0			
Brentford v Roth'ham	0-0			
Walsall v Swindon	2-1			
Aldershot v York	3-0			
Port Vale v Halifax	3-0			
St Mirren v Morton	3-1			

WHO
WON
THIS
WEEK

POINTS SCORED

PAUL
YOURSELF
DAD

Aggregate scores carried forward to next week

PAUL
YOURSELF
DAD

'The happiest moment of my career'

BY
GLENN HODDLE

The Spurs star gives you an exclusive insight into the Wembley feeling

WE'RE on our way to Wembley and there's only one word to describe how that feels... SUPERB!

Without doubt it was the happiest moment of my career with Spurs when the final whistle blew on our FA Cup semi-final replay with Wolves.

And the scenes that followed were amazing...

With 40,000 Spurs fans packed into Highbury the atmosphere was the best I've known — it was like a home game.

And I thought I was going to lose my shirt when the fans invaded the pitch. I never thought I would get to the dressing room.

Back in the dressing room it was happy chaos. Everyone was rushing around congratulating everyone else, the champagne was flowing, we were singing — 'we're on our way to Wembley' and kit man Johnny Wallace got an early bath... with his kit on!

We must have gone through about 20 bottles of 'shampoo' (Cockney slang for Champagne) and everyone was 'half-cut' by the time we came out of the bath!

More celebrations and sing-songs followed when we got on the coach and headed for a 'do' at a hotel and the evening ended at Garth Crooks' house in the early hours.

It wasn't until the next morning that it really sank in that Spurs were in the FA Cup final.

The telephone never stopped ringing with messages of congratulations from relatives and friends.

It all seemed so far removed from my personal agony in the

first game at Hillsborough, when with just seconds to go that penalty was awarded against me for a tackle on Wolves' Kenny Hibbitt.

That must go down as my worst experience in football.

It drained us when Willie Carr slotted home that last minute penalty.

But in the second-half of extra time there was no way I could see them winning it and everything worked out great for us in the end.

There's no doubt we were dejected after Hillsborough, but we had to put that out of our minds and at Highbury I think we turned on one of our best performances of the season.

Everyone played well. The second half was a delight to play in — I felt I could have played on for hours!

We scored at all the right times. Early on in the game, just before half-time and early in the second half.

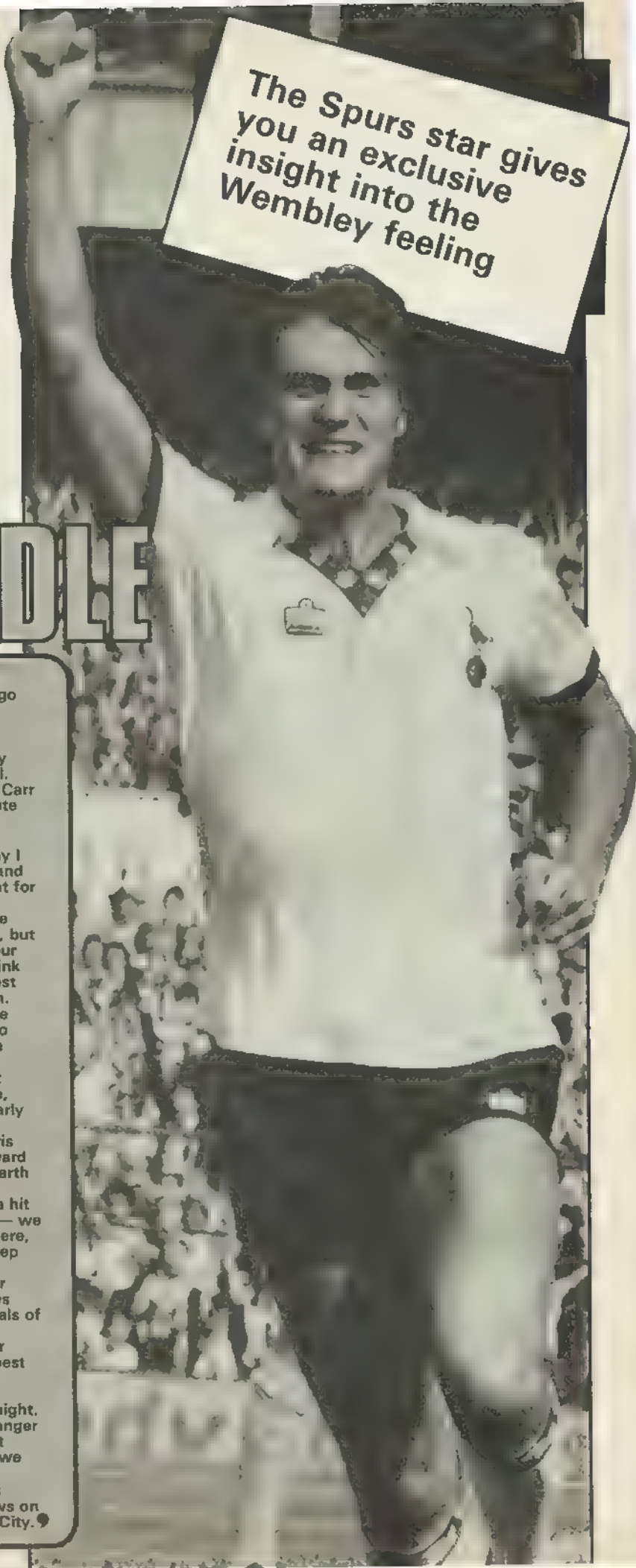
Stevie Perryman and Chris Hughton were getting forward from full-back positions, Garth Crooks second goal was a delight and then Ricky Villa hit a screamer from 20-yards — we knew then that we were there, but of course we had to keep playing on.

You have to feel sorry for Wolves — that's three times they've lost in the semi-finals of the FA Cup now.

And all credit to them for coming to wish us all the best after the game.

There's little doubt they missed Andy Gray on the night. I felt he was the biggest danger to us and it gave us a great psychological boost when we knew he wasn't playing.

I'll see you in two weeks when I'll be giving my views on our final with Manchester City. ♡





WHO SAID THAT?

Here are some famous quotes by famous soccer people. Can you name them?

- 1 'I have an instinct to do the wrong things. That's probably my secret.'
- 2 'It's easy to beat Brazil. You just stop them from getting 20 yards from goal.'
- 3 'Some people think football is a matter of life or death. I don't agree. I can assure them it's much more important than that.'
- 4 'We lost the 1970 World Cup. But it was the finest England team I've played in.'

Left: Trevor Brooking celebrates West Ham's FA Cup goal last season. Can you spot who's missing from the line-up? See Odd Man out.

True or False

- 1 Aston Villa have won the FA Cup a record eight times. True or false?
- 2 Grimsby Town were once managed by Bill Shankly. True or false?
- 3 Rotherham's home ground is Plainmoor. True or false?
- 4 Plymouth Argyle are known as the Potters. True or false?

NICKNAMES

- Can you match these clubs with the list of nicknames on the right?
- | | |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1 York | a) Trotters |
| 2 Huddersfield | b) Eagles |
| 3 Bolton | c) Minster Men |
| 4 C Palace | d) Terriers |

ODD MAN OUT

Each of the teams given below contains two deliberate errors. Can you spot the odd man out and substitute the correct players?

- 1 The Liverpool side which won the 1981 Football League Cup replay with 2-1 defeat of West Ham: Clemence, Neal, A. Kennedy, Thompson, R. Kennedy, Hansen, Dalglish, Lee, Johnson, McDermott, Souness.
- 2 The West Ham FA Cup Final side in

1960 — 1-0 winners over Arsenal: Parkes, Stewart, Lampard, Bonds, Brush, Devonshire, Allen, Pearson, Cross, Brooking, Holland.

- 3 Nottingham Forest 1980 European Champions Cup team, which beat Hamburg 1-0 was: Shilton, Anderson, F. Gray, McGovern, Lloyd, Needham, O'Neil, Bowyer, Birtles, Francis, Robertson.

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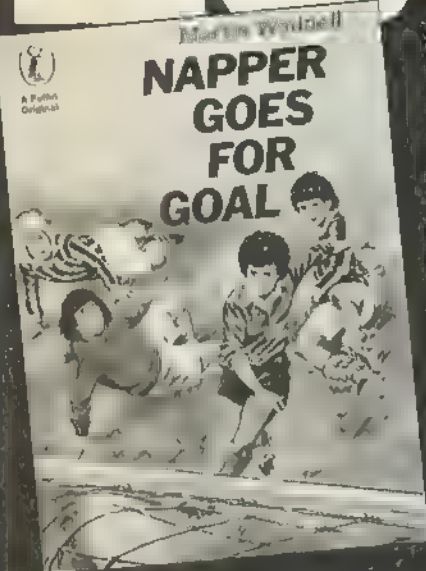


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QUIZ TIME

TEST YOUR SOCCER KNOWLEDGE?

- 1 Who scored West Ham's goal in the 1981 League Cup Final Replay?
- 2 Arthur Cox is manager of Second Division Newcastle. But can you name his two predecessors?
- 3 Tranmere Rovers play at a) Broomfield Park, b) Spotland, c) Prenton Park.
- 4 Who was QPR's top league goalscorer last season?
- 5 Give yourself a point if you can guess Liverpool's ground capacity to the nearest 5,000.
- 6 Our March Matchman of the Month, Joe Jordan once played for Morton. True or false?
- 7 Roger Osborne scored the Ipswich winner in the 1978 FA Cup Final. Who does he play for now?
- 8 From which club did Peter Hampton join Stoke City?
- 9 Larry Lloyd recently joined Wigan from Nottingham Forest. But at what club did he begin his League career?
- 10 Who scored Northern Ireland's goal in the 1-1 World Cup draw in Scotland last month?

Right: Stoke's Peter Hampton . . . See quiz question 8.



ANSWERS

1 Rush not Johnson, Case not Bouness, 2 Martin not Bush, Pike not Holland, 3 Burns not Headham, Mills not Francis

4 John Gray, 2 Bobby Charlton, 3 Bill Shankly, 4 Alan Ball

5 Who said that?

6 1/2, 2 1/4, 3 1/2, 4 1/2

7 Mike Jensen

8 False — it's the Flintmills

9 1 False — it's seven, 2 True, 3 False, 4 True, 5 Millmoor, 6 Burnley

7 Paul Goddard, 2 Bill McGarry, Richard Dinnis, 3 Clifton Park, 4 Clive Allen, 5 £2,518, 6 True, 7 Colchester, 8 Leeds, 9 Bristol Rovers, 10 Billy Hamilton

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ENGLISH LEAGUE

DIVISION ONE

	HOME					AWAY				
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A Pts
Liverpool	41	15	0	5	60 18	10	5	5	31	24 57
Man. Utd.	42	15	3	3	54 19	8	4	9	36	43 53
Everton	42	14	4	3	53 25	7	6	8	31	38 52
Tottenham	42	13	3	5	54 31	9	4	8	43	50 51
Chelsea	42	12	3	6	38 24	8	7	6	36	32 50
Sheff. Wed.	42	15	3	3	50 24	4	8	9	34	43 49
Blackburn	42	10	4	7	41 28	8	6	7	45	37 46
Arsenal	42	10	7	4	56 37	7	4	10	34	45 45
Barnley	42	14	3	4	46 23	3	7	11	25	41 44
West Brom.	42	9	6	6	43 35	7	5	9	27	26 43
Leicester	42	9	4	8	33 27	7	7	7	28	31 43
Sheff. Utd.	42	10	5	5	35 22	6	5	10	28	42 43
Notts. F.	42	9	5	7	34 24	7	4	10	30	44 41
West Ham	42	8	7	6	45 38	8	5	10	24	36 40
Fulham	42	11	8	2	45 23	2	5	14	13	42 39
Wolves	42	8	9	6	36 34	6	6	9	34	46 39
Stoke	41	8	8	6	46 32	5	4	12	28	45 36
Blackpool	42	8	8	6	26 29	5	3	13	26	44 35
Aston Villa	42	8	6	7	35 29	3	6	12	27	42 34
Birmingham	42	7	7	7	33 42	4	0	17	21	60 29
Bolton	42	6	5	10	30 35	4	3	14	18	45 28
Ipswich	42	9	3	9	38 46	0	4	17	18	76 25

DIVISION TWO

	HOME					AWAY				
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A Pts
Leeds	42	12	8	0	35 16	12	8	3	36	18 63
Sunderland	42	16	3	2	47 13	9	8	4	34	24 61
Preston	42	13	7	1	37 14	10	3	8	42	40 56
Charlton	42	11	4	8	44 30	8	6	7	32	40 48
Man. City	42	12	4	5	50 27	6	8	9	34	39 45
Southampton	41	12	3	5	63 31	8	8	9	31	41 45
Rotherham	41	14	3	4	52 26	5	4	11	37	46 45
Newcastle	42	14	2	5	49 26	8	3	12	25	43 45
Portsmouth	42	9	7	5	46 34	7	4	10	33	36 43
Middlesbrough	42	14	4	3	47 16	1	7	13	20	36 41
Northampton	42	10	2	9	35 31	6	7	8	23	29 41
Huddersfield	42	11	4	6	31 25	4	8	11	26	39 40
Derby	42	10	6	5	34 27	4	5	12	22	40 38
Swindon	42	11	5	5	39 24	3	5	13	19	45 38
Cardiff	42	10	7	4	31 27	4	3	14	25	54 38
Leyton O.	42	8	6	7	32 32	5	4	12	22	40 36
Norwich	42	9	7	5	43 30	2	6	13	21	50 35
Bury	42	8	5	8	35 26	5	4	12	22	37 35
Swansea	42	11	4	6	44 26	1	5	15	19	48 33
Plymouth	42	6	6	7	26 32	2	6	11	19	35 32
Grimsby	42	5	7	8	26 34	3	7	11	19	41 32
Scunthorpe	42	8	8	5	30 25	2	2	17	22	57 30

DIVISION THREE

	HOME					AWAY				
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A Pts
Coventry	46	14	7	2	62 32	8	9	6	36	29 60
C. Palace	46	17	4	2	38 14	6	10	7	35	37 60
Watford	46	16	6	1	57 28	7	6	10	22	31 58
Sheff. Utd.	46	17	4	2	47 15	7	4	12	32	43 58
Bristol C.	46	13	7	3	52 24	7	8	8	32	40 55
Reading	46	15	5	3	49 26	0	5	12	30	36 52
Mansfield	46	15	8	0	51 20	5	3	15	25	42 51
Oldham	46	13	3	7	44 35	7	5	11	29	35 48
Peterborough	46	13	6	4	52 27	5	5	13	23	43 47
Hull	45	11	9	3	45 27	4	8	10	25	40 47
Shrewsbury	46	13	6	4	43 19	5	5	13	30	61 47
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Port Vale	46	13	6	4	35 13	3	8	12	18	36 46
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Colchester	46	10	8	5	45 26	2	11	10	25	42 43
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Millwall	46	9	4	10	33 29	5	6	12	20	38 38
Barnsley	45	9	5	3	29 29	3	5	14	32	63 38
Crows	46	10	5	8	29 26	1	7	15	21	51 34
Wrexham	46	9	4	10	50 42	4	2	17	25	65 32
Notts. Ca.	46	7	8	8	28 26	2	1	20	16	66 27

DIVISION FOUR

	HOME					AWAY				
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A Pts
Carlisle	46	17	3	3	70 20	8	7	8	43	38 60
Workington	46	15	6	2	46 19	9	5	9	30	33 59
Exeter	46	12	9	2	39 14	8	8	6	23	23 58
Gillingham	44	16	7	0	37 10	3	7	9	20	20 56
Bradford C.	46	15	3	5	45 24	10	3	10	31	38 56
Torquay	45	16	6	1	60 20	4	4	14	19	33 50
Brighton	46	13	3	7	45 22	8	8	8	26	30 50
Tranmere	45	12	4	7	46 30	7	7	8	37	43 48
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Halifax	46	14	4	5	47 28	3	10	19	30	48 48
Chester	46	17	3	3	47 18	2	5	16	18	42 46
Lincoln	46	14	2	6	46 31	4	7	12	18	44 45
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Doncaster	46	11	8	4	46 23	4	4	15	24	52 42
Newport	45	12	3	7	35 23	5	5	13	23	48 42
Chesterfield	46	8	8	6	29 27	7	7	13	29	44 42
Stockport	46	12	7	4	32 19	3	5	15	18	48 42
Oxford	45	10	7	5	37 25	4	6	13	22	36 41
Darlington	46	8	9	6	40 37	6	3	14	26	56 40
Rochdale	46	9	8	6	36 24	3	7	13	20	35 39
Southport	46	12	6	5	42 29	3	3	17	21	59 39
York	45	9	3	10	29 25	5	4	14	23	40 35
Hartlepool	46	8	7	8	30 36	4	2	17	24	57 33
Barnrow	45	4	10	9	30 36	2	8	12	21	54 30

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

DIVISION ONE

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Rangers	33	13	1	3	43 19	12	4	0	42	11 55
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Celtic	34	13	3	1	61 16	6	6	5	28	18 47
Hearts	34	8	5	4	28 23	11	4	2	35	17 47
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Dundee	33	11	3	3	53 27	8	2	6	39	23 43
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DIVISION TWO

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Arbroath	36	11	2	5	47 22	9	4	5	32	24 48
East Fife	36	10	6	2	53 18	6	7	5	39	39 45
Montrose	36	12	2	4	46 22	7	4	7	34	35 44
Dumfries	35	11	2	5	41 24	5	4	8	28	34 36
Stranraer	36	12	2	4	51 31	4	4	10	20	42 36
Queens Park	35	11	1	5	37 20	5	3	10	24	33 36
Raith	36	8	2	7	40 24	6	3	9	30	37 35
Stenhousemuir	38	10	1	7	44 28	5	4	9	38	47 35
Albion	35	7	8	2	43 21	5	3	10	34	46 35
Berwick	35	6	5	7	43 31	4	6	8	23	48 30
Hamilton	36	6	4	8	44 43	6	2	10	21	38 30
Alloa	36	7	2	8	37 37	4	3	11	27	55 27
Ayr	35	6	2	9	27 34	5	3	10	30	49 27
Brackie	35	7	4	8	37 40	2	4	12	18	56 26
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Forfar	35	5	4	9	27 50	1	3	14	20	54 19

LANGAN, RICHARDS and BATSON

FEW full-backs have relished the prospect of trying to halt Nottingham Forest and Scotland winger John Robertson over the past five seasons.

But some do better than others and John frankly admits that the three who cause him most problems are Birmingham's David Langan, Brendon Batson of West Brom and Pedro Richards of City neighbours Notts County.

In a recent 'Matchmaker' article John singled out Langan as his most difficult opponent and he told Match:

— My top three says John Robertson (Forest)

"He's made life difficult for me over the years, particularly when he was playing with Derby

"Forest v Derby games are always competitive and I knew that Langan would never give me a second to settle on the ball.

"He's so quick that he tries to stop you getting to the ball in the first place — never mind getting the opportunity to take him on.

"And you have always got to be aware when playing against

full-backs like him that they enjoy getting forward themselves.

"Pedro Richards is another like Langan who is very quick in the tackle, though he's now moved to the centre of Notts County's defence.

"Brendon Batson is a different type of player — but all the same I find him very difficult to get the better of in a game.

"He doesn't really mark you particularly tight and while that always gives you scope to take him on he seems to read situations well and gets tackles in when they are most needed."

Right: David Langan of Birmingham — he's made life difficult for me over the years says John Robertson.



ENEMY NUMBER ONE

Far right: Graham Rix of Arsenal — he's got the skill to infuriate defenders, says Andy Blair.

Right: Coventry's Andy Blair.

... Two more top stars name the men they regard as their most difficult opponents.



GREEKS LOOK GOOD FOR SPAIN

GREECE could prove to be the surprise packet in Spain. Their recent 2-0 win in Luxembourg in front of a 5,000 crowd pushed them up to second, behind Italy, in group five. The goals came from Kouis (38min) and Mavros, a penalty (55min). That left the table like this:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Italy	4	4	0	0	8	0	8
Greece	4	3	0	1	5	2	6
Yugoslavia	3	2	0	1	7	3	4
Denmark	4	1	0	3	5	5	2
Luxembourg	5	0	0	5	0	15	0

FRANZ Beckenbauer reckons European team will win next year's World Cup in Spain. The Kaiser, who could play in his fourth series of World Cup finals, said: "I'm certain a European team will win the World Cup next year. Argentina and Brazil will make a challenge but not enough to overcome the Europeans here."

BRILLIANT Dutch sweeper Ruud Krol was voted as the top foreigner in Italy. Second was Brazilian Roberto Falcao, third Herbert Prohaska and fourth Liam Brady. If Brady's team Juventus had started as well as they have played since Christmas it is thought the Irishman would have won the prize.

SPANISH World Cup organisers are aiming to keep down the prices on tickets for next year's competition. They say they are worried by the very poor attendances throughout Europe at the moment and by the poor crowds at last year's European Championships.

The worst moment of my life

BY PAUL MARINER

THE worst moment of my life.

That's the only way I can sum up our 1-0 FA Cup semi-final defeat by Manchester City at Villa Park.

It's hard to put into words the sick, empty feeling I had after the final whistle had blown.

Our Wembley dream had been shattered and I was totally dejected.

The dressing room was like a morgue as the players sat around in almost total silence just wondering what had happened.

I have heard other players talk about the personal disaster of a semi-final defeat and I have always thought it could never be that bad.

But I can tell you it's an experience I never want to go through again.

It's murder sitting in the dressing room hearing the winning side singing in the bath while you sit around reflecting on what might have been.

Even 48 hours after the match I was still getting over the disappointment.

It's a very sad moment for any

'It's murder sitting in the dressing room hearing the winning side singing in the bath.'

footballer, but the game is full of setbacks and one simply has to keep battling on.

Looking back on the tie, it was not only the result that was disappointing, it was the manner of our performance.

We are renowned for our brand of attractive football, but on the day we produced probably our worst performance of the season.

Manchester City must take a lot of credit. Manager John Bond produced some very shrewd tactics by cramping our style in midfield and, as a result, we didn't create much at all.

We looked dangerous at times from corners and free kicks with the aerial power of Kevin Beattie, Russell Osman and Terry Butcher, but as the game wore on I couldn't see either side scoring.

It might have been a different game had we taken some of our chances in the first twenty minutes.

Alan Brazil missed one opportunity which nine times out of ten he would have gobbled up.

I think we showed in the first half that the players were not feeling any tension, but at half time we changed tactics a little

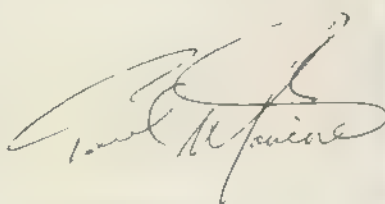
by pulling Eric Gates into midfield in a bid to get Arnold Muhren and Frans Thijssen more space on the flanks.

It showed promise for a time but the City defence was rock-like on the day and we got little joy.

I could see us coming back to Villa Park for a replay until Paul Power struck that brilliant winner.

There was no disputing the quality of Paul's match winning goal, but we felt that Terry Butcher was harshly penalised and that the free kick should have been awarded against Dave Bennett.

Still it's over now and we've just got to keep battling on.



The Match Weekly columnist relives the agony of FA Cup semi-final defeat.



Above: Paul Mariner pictured during the FA Cup semi-final with Manchester City



Left: Manchester City's Joe Corrigan and Bobby McDonald combined to shut out Ipswich striker Alan Brazil in the FA Cup semi-final.



Matchmaker
spotlight on
Middlesbrough
winger

TERRY COCHRANE

FULL NAME: George Terence Cochrane.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Killyleagh, County Down, January 23, 1953
HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 7in/10st 7lbs.
MARRIED: Yes, to Etta
CHILDREN: Yes, two boys, Paul and Steven.
CAR: 264GL Volvo.
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Coleraine and Burnley
TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Apprentice electrician
CLUB NICKNAME: T C
WORST EVER INJURY: Groin strain.
FAVOURITE OTHER FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: Kenny Dalglish - best striker in England
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Maradona - he's got the lot.
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Burnley.
BEST ALL-TIME BRITISH TEAM: Charlton R., Giles, Bremner, Best, Law, Keegan.
ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL XI: Jennings, Vogts, Moore, Beckenbauer, Cooper, Cruyff, Charlton, Giles, Best, Muller, Pele
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Old Trafford
FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Stadium of Light, Portugal.
BEST GOAL SCORED: Overhead kick in this season's FA Cup tie at Swansea.
BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Justin Fashanu's against Liverpool last season.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: They are all difficult
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: The 1-1 draw with England in last season's Home Championship at Wembley.
OWN MAGIC MOMENT: Scoring in the above match

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Being injured.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Tennis, snooker and badminton.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Music and a quiet drink with friends
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Smoking and dishonest people
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Minder
TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: Get It Together.
FAVOURITE READING: Horror books
FAVOURITE MUSICIAN/SINGER: Bob Geldof and Boomtown Rats
FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak and chicken.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Lager.
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Israel.
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Clint Eastwood and Joan Collins.
BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest
BEST FRIEND: I have a few
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Billy Bingham.
WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Long journeys and hooliganism
SUPERSTITIONS: None.
PRE MATCH MEAL: Chicken omelette.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: 18 full caps for Northern Ireland.
PERSONAL AMBITION: To be successful in my career
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To play with Middlesbrough in the FA Cup Final
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: I haven't thought about it.
A PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Middlesbrough's David Hodgson.
WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: Clint Eastwood
ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Take advice from older professionals and train hard.

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RECORD DEFEAT 1-9 v Port Vale, Division Two, Sept 24, 1932.
MOST LEAGUE POINTS 64, Division Four, 1968-69.
MOST LEAGUE GOALS 102, Division Three (North), 1930-31.
HIGHEST LEAGUE SCORER IN SEASON Jimmy Cookson, 44, Division Three (North), 1925-26.
MOST LEAGUE GOALS IN AGGREGATE Ernie Moss, 128, 1969-76, 1976-81.
MOST CAPTED PLAYER Walter McMillan, four (seven in total), for N. Ireland.
MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES Dave Blakey, 613, 1948-67.
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FAIRY-TALE FOR RUSH

LIVERPOOL striker Ian Rush this week looked back on a fairy-tale seven days that began with him collecting a League Cup winners medal before he'd even played a first team game at Anfield!

The League Cup Final victory over West Ham at Villa Park signalled the start of an incredible week for the 19-year-old reserve which ended in a European Cup semi-final against Bayern Munich.

Ian, a £300,000 close season signing from Chester, was plunged into Liverpool's most important week of the season even though he'd played only one first team game.

And he admitted: "It's been incredible — I still can't believe it's all happened."

The story book stuff started when Steve Heighway failed a late fitness test on the morning of the final replay and with regulars David Johnson and David Fairclough already

FLASHBACK to July 5, 1980
when Ian Rush spoke to Match Weekly soon after signing for Liverpool.

"I've worked hard at my game and I think it will be a lot harder now I'm at Liverpool. If I have played one game for the first team by the end of next season, I will have done fairly well."

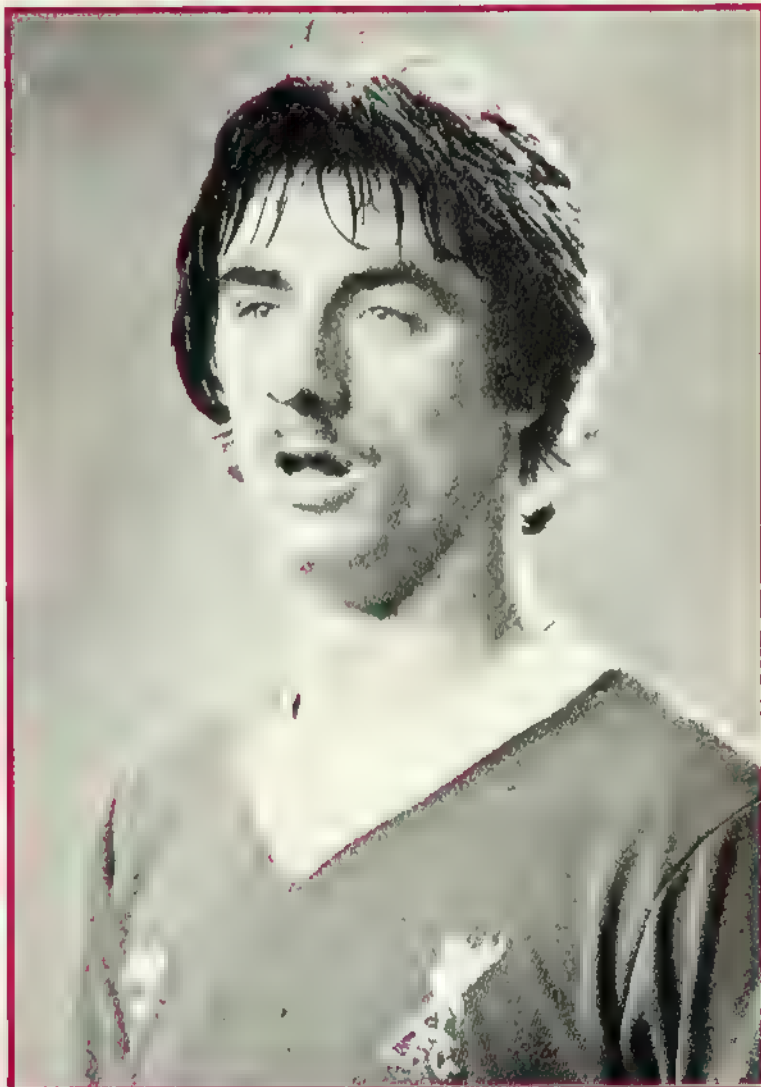
sidelined, Bob Paisley had little choice but to throw in his young reserve.

Ian impressed everybody at Villa Park with his pace and ball control and soon struck up a useful understanding with his Scottish international striking partner, Kenny Dalglish.

Two days after collecting his first ever winners medal, Anfield's famous Kop raised the roof when their latest hero made his home debut in a 3-0 win over Stoke.

"The reception I got was great — I'll never forget it," said Ian.

The might of crack West German champions Bayern Munich in the European Cup was Liverpool's next test and



Liverpool's new discovery Ian Rush — looking back on an incredible seven days.

although Steve Heighway was fit, Bob Paisley had no hesitation in keeping faith with Ian.

But he's realistic enough to know that his big test will come when England international David Johnson is fit to return to the attack.

"There's no way I can be classed as a first team regular. When the two David's are fit my test will come."

"I've enjoyed my spell in the team and it's made me determined to keep my place — you feel left out of things in the reserves."

"I didn't expect my chance to come so quickly, but now that it has I want to make the most of

it," he added.

Ian's quick to pay tribute to the help he's had from the Liverpool players — especially Kenny Dalglish — during his first team spell.

"Kenny's a brilliant player and has done a lot to help me. He's made space for me and I reckon our partnership has worked quite well."

Even though Ian's spent all but a small part of his career at Anfield in the reserves, the Welsh international has no regrets about his move.

"It's a different world here. Everything is big time. I knew when I joined I'd have to wait for my chance."

Spotlight on Ipswich Town's comic strip hero . . .

KEVIN STEGGLES

THE STORY surrounding Kevin Steggles' senior baptism could have been written for a football hero in a boys comic.

One minute the 20-year-old Ipswich defender was in the reserves

The next he was in the thick of a UEFA Cup quarter final clash with St Etienne policing one of Europe's top strikers in Dutch star Johnny Rep

And if that wasn't enough, three days later he was making his First Division debut at one of the world's most famous soccer shrines, Manchester United's Old Trafford

"Not a bad start, was it?" says the youngster, who was asked to forego his normal central defensive slot to cover at right back for injured skipper Mick Mills

Kevin, who was actually born nearer to Norwich than their East Anglian rivals, is yet another product of the Ipswich youth policy that churns out footballers like a factory turns out cars.

He trained with Ipswich from the age of 12 and played more

than 80 games in the reserves before getting his chance.

And what a chance, playing against one of Europe's top sides before a packed house at Portman Road with a place in the UEFA Cup semi-finals at stake.

"The fact that we had a 4-1 lead from the first leg obviously helped.

"The French side seemed just content to avoid another defeat," says Kevin.

"I didn't really feel nervous and had plenty of advice from colleagues — particularly Russell Osman who talked me through the match.

'It was a bit of a surprise when the boss picked me . . .'

"I didn't see too much of Johnny Rep until the last few minutes when he produced a few telling runs. I was quite satisfied with my performance.

"I have played full-back a few times in the reserves so I didn't feel too strange, although I spend most of my time in the reserves playing at the centre of the defence.

"I must admit it was a bit of a surprise when the boss selected



Young Ipswich defender Kevin Steggles (right) in action against St-Etienne on his senior debut

me for the St Etienne game."

Then it was Manchester United for Kevin to begin his Football League career.

"Although we ended up losing 2-1 I felt more pleased with my performance than I did against St Etienne.

"It was obviously disappointing to see our long unbeaten run come to an end, but it was great to play at Old Trafford with such an incredible atmosphere."

Kevin appreciates that he was only keeping the shirt warm for England's Mick Mills.

"I know I'm only a stop-gap, but I'm quite happy just to be involved with a successful club," explains Kevin.

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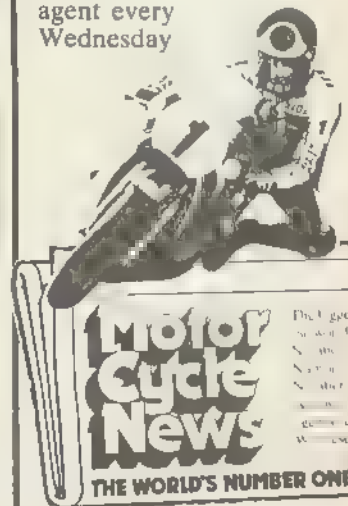
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WALSALL duo Peter Hart and Stephen Baines help make up a team of former Huddersfield stars.

The side was sent in by R Boothroyd, of Birchencliffe, Huddersfield.

The team reads: Dave Lawson (Stockport), Jim Branaghan (Blackburn), Derek Parkin (Wolves), Stephen Baines, Peter Hart (both Walsall), Trevor Cherry (Leeds), Steve Spriggs (Cambridge), Terry Gray (Southend), Frank Worthington (Tampa Bay), Bobby Campbell (Bradford), Alan Gowling (Bolton).



Leeds former England international Trevor Cherry — he's included in a team of Huddersfield 'Past Greats'.

TERRACE TALK

Cloughie

MY enjoyment of the League Cup Final replay was marred by Nottingham Forest manager Brian Clough's incredible attack on Jimmy Case of Liverpool.

Just before the game against West Ham began, Clough accused the Liverpool player of "kicking opponents for four years."

This was a most unprofessional and unfair comment from a man who is supposed to be an authority in the game.

I wish someone would tell Cloughie to shut up once and for all — we're all sick and tired of him! Carmel Morgan, Eynsham, Oxford.

Right. Liverpool's Jimmy Case — under attack from Brian Clough.



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Ball's mistake

ALAN BALL'S return to Southampton was a big mistake.

He is supposed to have done great things since his return to The Dell, but after watching his performance against Aston Villa I reckon he should hang up his boots.

All he did was make mistakes and he had to be substituted in the end. At one point he almost gave away a goal!
Julian Escott (13), Bournemouth, Dorset

Oops!

INTERNATIONALS are getting younger every day.

Just look at the age of this international side. The goof was spotted by Nick Kenton of Attenborough, Beeston, Notts.

Don't forget to send in any goofs you spot. The address is: Golden Goof, Match Weekly, Midgate House, Midgate, Peterborough.

But although 70,000 fans paid £395,000 to see his side defeat Switzerland by a narrow margin, fewer than 2,000 combined to watch the Under 21 and B matches.

Stewart for England!

I WISH Ron Greenwood would take note of the current team in form, West Ham.

I know he's picked Trevor Brooking and Alan Devonshire in past England sides, but I reckon he should take a look at Ray Stewart and Geoff Pike.

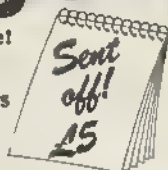
Stewart is a full-back with attacking flair and should be given an international chance.

As for Pike, he's full of running and will never let you down.

By the way, I reckon Paul Stratton's predictions are rubbish

— you should give the job to me! D. Barker, Old Windsor, Berks.

● AT LEAST Paul Stratton knows that Ray Stewart's a Scotsman! You're sent off for not getting your facts right.



I'M Anthony Hawkswell and I'm in charge of the 'Outraged' column.

I'll stand no nonsense... any back-chat and I'll send you off!

I'll be giving marching orders to the writer of the most outrageous letter of the week and booking others who make me really angry.

OUTRAGED!

And just to make it more interesting I'll pay £5 to the person I send off and £2 to each one I book.

But be warned... I'm the ref and my decision stands.

to Hoddle and Robson

I'M outraged that England manager Ron Greenwood included Glenn Hoddle of Spurs and West Brom's Bryan Robson in his team for the game against Spain.

They should never have been in the England squad — they're far too inexperienced and haven't got the international class to make the grade.

Dave Currie, Barrowford, Nelson, Lancs.

● HODDLE and Robson were two of the few bright chinks in an otherwise depressing England performance.

They've WORLD class potential and need the experience of playing to prove it.

IT'S a waste of time giving players a number on their backs because half the time they play out of position.

It's very confusing for the spectator. I reckon a better idea would be to give them letters on their backs.

This is how it would work: G-goalkeeper; D-defender; M-midfielder; F-forward; V-versatile (substitute).

This would put some order back into the game.

Andrew Parker (10), Cheam, Surrey.

● YOU'RE letter is B-for BOOKED! What a silly idea.

The numbers on the shirts help you identify the player — not necessarily the position he plays.

The numbers game

Booked!
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IT'S FUN TIME

SAID a goalkeeper from Torquay.
A chance for a goal I see
And with a skilful flick
He gave such a kick
That he levelled the scores
at Dundee!
Trevor Allen, Abingdon
Oxford.



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"I've been worried out of my mind."



"I've just heard their coach-half is six foot"

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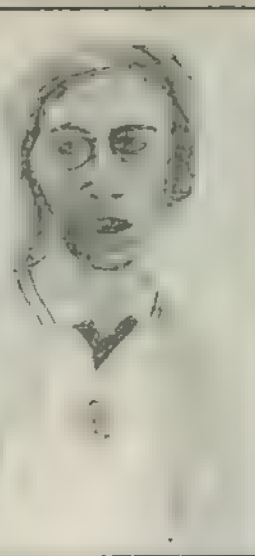
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LEEDS goalkeeper John Lukic has a long England career ahead of him, says Charles Manche (15), of St Andrews, Malta.



"CHARLIE George is one of England's most skilful forwards," says Sue Pery (15), of Cirencester.

Below DAVID Yaffe, of Middleton, Greater Manchester, says that Manchester City goalkeeper Joe Corrigan may well have kept the club in the First Division last season.



Newport's heart of Oakes

IF Lady Luck had been a little kinder Newport County would this month have been striving for a place in the European Cup Winners' Cup Final.

Instead the tiny Welsh club, so close to embarrassing crack East German side Carl Zeiss Jena in the quarter finals, are facing a more desperate battle . . . Third Division survival.

And to add salt to the wounds, their hopes of another European adventure next season were dashed in the Welsh Cup semi-finals by Hereford, the bottom club in the Football League.

It's an amazing contrast for Len Ashurst's team and one which skipper and key defender Keith Oakes finds difficult to understand.

"We undoubtedly raised our game for the two matches against the East Germans, but



Newport skipper Keith Oakes — still nurses an ambition to play in the First Division.

in the League we have been unable to find any real consistency, and consequently have been sucked into the relegation fight," says Keith, last month's 'Match Weekly' Third Division 'Matchman of the Month'.

"After getting promotion last season we were hopeful of consolidating ourselves in Division Three, but we made a bad start and have been dropping too many points at home for comfort."

Keith, bought for a bargain £15,000 from Peterborough nearly three years ago, still nurses an ambition to play in the First Division.

"Several clubs have been reported to be interested in me but nothing has happened. The manager has said he would let me go if he received the right offer," explains Keith, who is one of the country's top scoring defenders with 29 goals in the last three seasons.

"I'm happy at Newport but it is the ambition of every player to play in the First Division.

"I'm quite satisfied with my form this season and probably I'm playing my best football.

"I'll just keep my fingers crossed that one day my ambition will be realised."

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WEST Brom's powerful striker Cynille Regus is drawn by Deborah Hall of Wednesbury, West Midlands. "He's a consistent goalscorer," says Deborah.



**SPOTLIGHT
ON DIVISION
3 & 4**
by Melvyn
Beck

MATCH MEETS DONCASTER'S SNODINS

Oh brother!

THERE'S a distinct flavour of brotherly love in the Doncaster Rovers team battling for promotion from the Fourth Division.

Billy Bremner's side, chasing a Third Division place after a ten-year absence, has the Snodin brothers making a significant contribution to the club's fortunes.

Glynn, the 21-year-old left back, has been in the side for the past two seasons, but this term he has been joined on a regular basis by 17-year-old brother Ian, an England youth international midfield player.

Glynn joined Doncaster five years ago when Stan Anderson, then the manager, saw him playing for a local youth side.

From that moment Ian's heart was set on joining his brother at Belle Vue — even though the family home was in Rotherham.

His chance came two years ago when, after playing in the youth side, he was signed as an apprentice.

This is how the brothers see Doncaster's prospects and their own careers. . .

MATCH WEEKLY: What has been the influence of Billy Bremner on both you personally and the team?

GLYNN: From my own point of view he has encouraged me to be positive and he has urged the players to battle for each other and that has helped bring us success.

IAN: He has been great to me as the baby of the side because he encourages me all the time. He often has me back in the afternoons for special training and I learn a lot from him.

M.W.: What are your ambitions?

GLYNN: Like every young player in the lower divisions, I want to play in the First Division and perhaps for my country. But my immediate aim is to help Doncaster into a higher standard of football.

IAN: Having played for England youths it is my hope that one day I will play at senior level. Like Glynn, I want to play in the First Division.

MW: Is it strange having a brother in the same side?



The Snodin brothers at Doncaster, 17-year-old Ian (left) and 21-year-old Glynn.

GLYNN: Not really because when I'm playing I regard him as just another team mate. I just let him get on with his job, but off the park we act as brothers and are always talking about football.

IAN: With Glynn playing left back and me on the right hand side of midfield we don't come into contact very often. But when I go up to his house all the talk is about Doncaster.

MW: How do you rate your brother?

GLYNN: He's a very skilful midfield player who is not afraid to put his foot on the ball even though he's only 17. With any luck he should go a long way in the game.

IAN: I think Glynn is the best left back in the Fourth Division, particularly from an attacking viewpoint.

Pen Pals

I AM a 17-year-old Glasgow Rangers fan and would like a girl pen pal of the same age who supports Manchester United.
Ian Gray, 8c Blackhall Court, Hunterhill, Paisley, Scotland.

I AM a 16-year-old Aston Villa supporter living in Southampton. I would like to write to any Southampton, Portsmouth or Bournemouth supporter living in the Birmingham area so that we can exchange cuttings.
Ann Fern, 18 Park Road, Clarendon, Hants.

I WOULD like a pen pal who lives in England

and supports West Ham. I am 17 years old and also like cricket.
Mark McCluskey, 119 Ayr Road, Warrington, Victoria, Australia.

I WOULD like a pen pal who supports Arsenal. I am also interested in snooker and collecting programmes.
Robert Sedgwick, 181 St. James Road, Waltham, Grimsby.

I AM 17 years old and support Newcastle United. I would like some pen pals from Newcastle and Gateshead.
Gillian Watson, 25 Monmouth Road, Broomfield, Sheffield.

I AM a 14-year-old Liverpool and Gillingham supporter who would like a pen pal who would be willing to exchange programmes.
Kevin Bartlett, The Hookery, Ditchford Road, Staple, near Canterbury, Kent.

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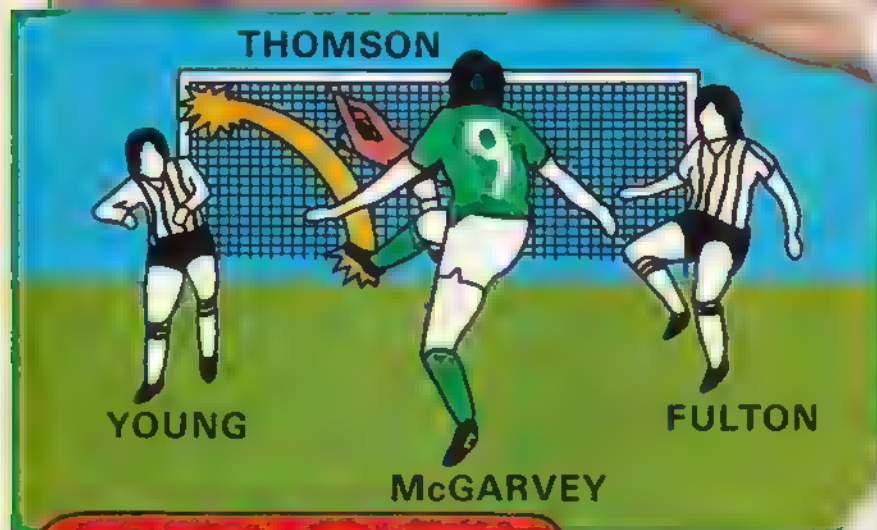
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GOLDEN GOAL

Frank McGarvey (Celtic) v St Mirren, Scottish Premier Division, Parkhead, Glasgow, March 14, 1950

FRANK McGarvey will look back on his Golden Goal, not only because it was a rare shot from outside the box, but also because it helped him land a hat-trick against the former club in 7-0 rampage.

"I was due a good break against the Saints," said Frank. "I got better than that earlier in the season."

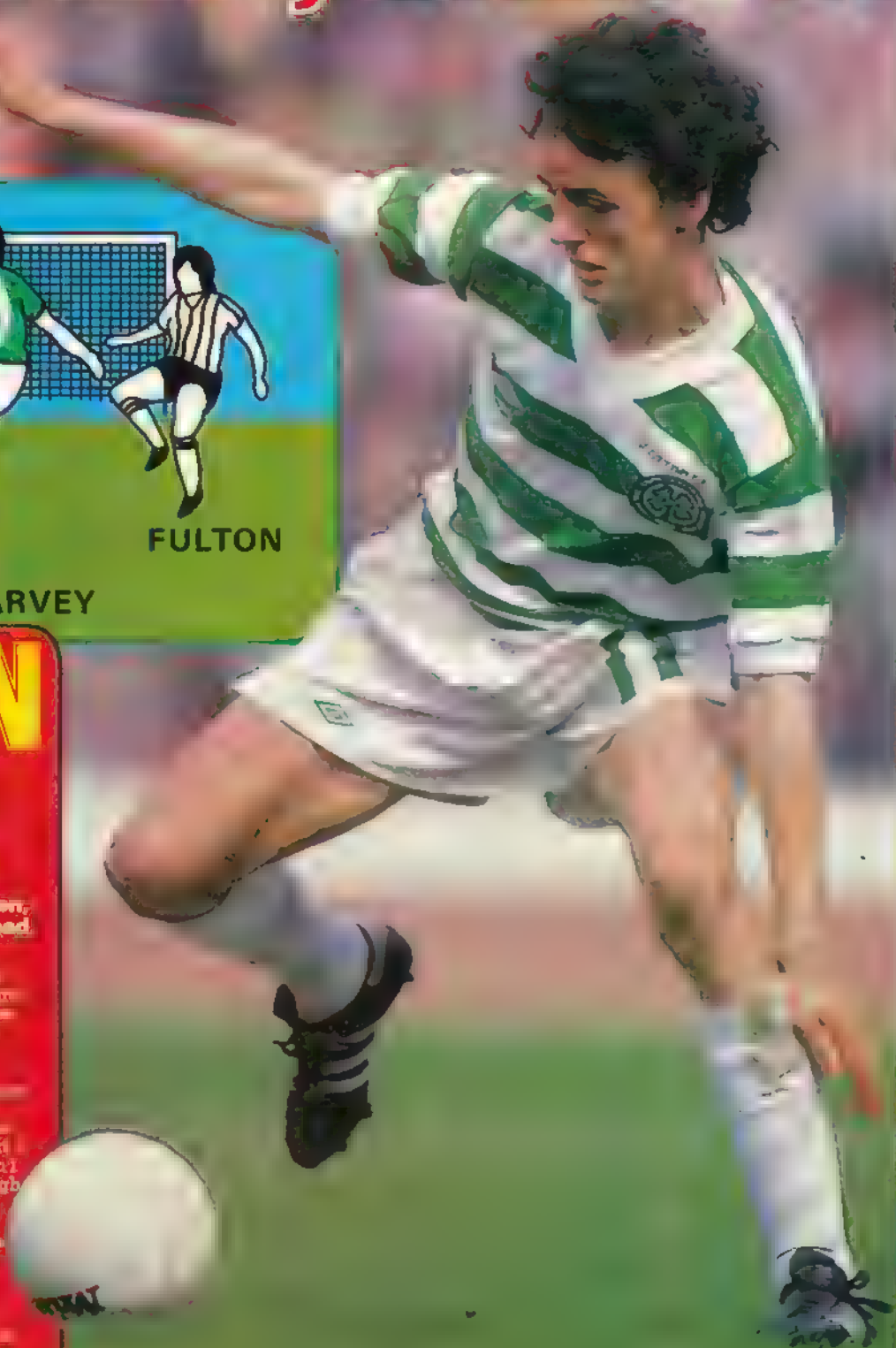
"I received the ball from Bobby Thomson 40 yards out and turned inside. Ally Beckett almost fell in the next tackle, but although I recovered with the ball, I didn't have enough energy to take a shot. I decided to have a shot."

"Luckily the ball took a known bounce for me and it beat Bobby Thomson in the top corner and that's really pleasing to beat Scotland's No. 1 goalkeeper."

For Frank, who returned to Scotland following a big-money move to Liverpool, which he failed to win a first-team place, was his second hat-trick of the season, having knocked three past Hungarians Diogor Miskolc in the European Cup Winners Cup.

"It's rare for me to score from 40 yards," he has admitted.

Above: McGarvey, Celtic, scores the all-green hat-trick.



TWO Match Weekly readers enjoyed the time of their lives when they were invited to meet West Brom and England B international Brendon Batson.

Nigel Wall of Barry, Glamorgan, and Dave Fryer of Dudley, West Midlands, met their favourite player at West Brom's Hawthorns ground.

Both were winners of a Match Weekly competition to pick an England team and both chose to meet the talented right back as their prize.

Brendon met the pair at the Hawthorns and after lunch at a nearby hotel took them on a tour of the First Division ground.

Our photographer Duncan Gubitt was on hand to capture the memorable day for our two readers.

A day out with West Brom's...



BRENDON BATSON



Above. When the bell tolls . . . Brendon shows Dave and Nigel the dressing room bell which is rung when it is time for the players to go out.

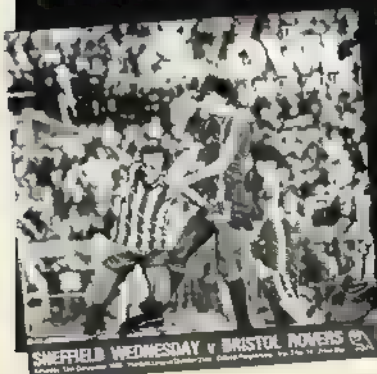
The cow bell was presented to the club by crack Yugoslav team Hajduk Split before a European competition.

Above: 'Sign here, please'. . . Brendon obliges our readers with his autograph.

Below: Match readers Dave Fryer (left) and Nigel Wall enjoy lunch with Brendon at a hotel near the West Brom ground



SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY Programme guide



SHEFFIELD Wednesday's match day programme — 'The Owl' — has plenty to hoot about.

The famous Yorkshire club is challenging for First Division status after 11 years in the wilderness and manager Jack Charlton has instilled new confidence in the club.

The bright and breezy programme reflects the current optimism.

We looked at the magazines for the games against Bristol Rovers and Shrewsbury and both maintained a consistently high standard.

For 30p you get 30 pages and it

was all about Sheffield Wednesday — there was no football insert.

There were plenty of action pictures and each programme had an interesting in-depth feature on a Wednesday player.

Apart from the front cover picture there was no other colour in the issue, but this was more than made up for by the action photographs.

There was a regular look back over the club's history and the usual piece by the manager, introduction to the visitors and a facts and figures page.

Each issue carried a report of the team's last game and also reported

from the reserves and other matches.

If Sheffield Wednesday do get promoted they won't have to alter their programme — it's already First Division material.

Star rating
 ***** Superb
 **** Good
 *** Satisfactory
 ** Poor
 * Terrible

How the Sheffield Wednesday programme fared:
 Content: *** Pictures: ***
 Information: *** Colour: ***
 Value for Money: ***

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Match FACTS

Player ratings

- 10 — Out of this world
9 — Outstanding
8 — Excellent
7 — Good
6 — Adequate
5 — Off form
4 — Poor

Match rating

- ★★★★★ A classic
★★★★ Good value
★★★ Satisfactory
★★ Dull
★ Waste of money

Sunday, April 12

Division Three

BLACKPOOL (1) 1 (Bamber 23)
OXFORD (1) 1 (Foley 20)
Att 3,188
Blackpool ★ **HESFORD** 8, Gardner 8,
Pashley 7, Noble 6, Greenall 7, McEwan 8,
Morgan 5, Conn 5 (sub. Hackaday 7).
Harrison 6, Morris 7, Bamber 7
Oxford: Burton 7, Doyle 6, Fogg 6, Jeffrey
6, Briggs 6, Shotton 6, Jones 6, Foley 7,
Smithers 8, ★ **CASSELLS** 8, Page 6
Referee: R. Bridges (Manchester)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Four

ROCHDALE (1) 2 (Esser 28, Martinez 64)
PORT VALE (0) 1 (Bowles 85)
Att 2,590
Rochdale: Crawford 7, Jones 7, Snookes 7,
Esser 7 (sub. Seal 6), Burke 6, ★ **TAYLOR**
8, Wann 6, O'Loughlin 7, Hilditch 7,
Wellings 7, Martinez 7
Port Vale: Lloyd 6, Brissett 7, Bromage 6,
Beech 7, ★ **BOWLES** 8, Sproson 6,
Harwood 6 (sub. Miller 6), Armstrong 6,
Chamberlain, N 7, Chamberlain M 7,
Bennett 7
Referee: G. Owen (Anglesey)
Match Rating: ★★★

TORQUAY (1) 1 (Fell pen 37)
MANSFIELD (1) 1 (Burrows 18)
Att 1,699
Torquay: O'Keefe 7, Jones 6, Pethard 6,
Colfill 6, Bourne 7, Wilson 7, ★ **FELL** 9,
Bowker 6, Cooper 6, Cox 6, Serranni 6
(sub. Twitchin)
Mansfield: ★ **SUTTON** 8, McJannet 7,
Wood 5, Bird 6, Burrows 7, McClelland 6,
Allen 5, Mann 6, Lumby 6 (sub. Caldwell 6),
Hamilton 6, Thomson 6
Referee: C. Downey (Hounslow)
Match Rating: ★★★

Tuesday, April 14

Division One

ASTON VILLA (0) 1 (Shaw 82)
IPSWICH (1) 2 (Brazil 4, Gates 79)
Att 47,494
Aston Villa: Rimmer 6, Swain 6, Gibson 5,
Williams 8, McNaught 6, ★ **MORTIMER** 9,
Brenner 7, Shaw 6, Withe 8, Cowans 8,
Morley 5
Ipswich: Cooper 7, Mills 7, McCall 6,
Thijssen 7, Osman 8, ★ **BUTCHER** 9, Wark
6, Muhren 6, Mariner 6, Brazil 7, Gates 6
Referee: B. Hill (Kettering)
Match Rating: ★★★

LIVERPOOL (0) 0
MANCHESTER UNITED (1) 1 (McQueen 6)
Att 31,276
Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 7, Money 7,
Thompson 6, Kennedy 7, Hansen 7,
Daighish 7, ★ **LEE** 8, Rush 6, McDermott 7,
Case 6
Man Utd: Bailey 8, Duxbury 7, Albiston 7,

★ **MORAN** 9, McQueen 8, Buchan 8,
Coppell 7, Birtles 6, Jordan 7, Macari 6,
Wilkins 7
Referee: P. Partridge (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Division Two

PRESTON (0) 2 (Elliott 62, Houston 65)
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 1
(McCulloch 75)
Att 9,537
Preston: Tunks 7, Taylor 7, Burns 7,
Haslegrave 8, ★ **BAKTER** 9, Blackley 8,
Coleman 7, Bell 7, Elliott 6, Houston 6,
Bruce 7
Sheff Wed: Bolder 6, Blackhall 6, Grant 7,
Smith 7, Shirliff 7, Johnston 6, Mellor 7,
Pearson 6, Taylor 6, McCulloch 7,
★ **CURRAN** 8
Referee: C. Seal (Carlisle)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Three

BURNLEY (3) 4 (Brown, og 16, Scott 39,
Overson 45, Potts 57)
HUDDERSFIELD (1) 2 (Kindon 5, Stanton 56)
Att 11,259
Burnley: Stevenson 6, Wood 6, Laws 5,
Phelan 7, Overson 6, Dobson 8, Young 6,
★ **ROBERTSON** 9, Hamilton 8, Scott 8
(sub. Steven), Potts 7
Huddersfield: Freeman 6, Brown 6,
★ **ROBINSON** 8, Stanton 7, Sutton 6,
Hanvey 6, Lillis 6, Kennedy 7, Kindon 6,
Robins 6, Cowling 5 (sub. Austin)
Referee: D. Civil (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

CHARLTON (0) 1 (Warman 74)
PORTSMOUTH (0) 2 (Croft 58, Rafferty 65)
Att 8,863
Charlton: Johns 6, Gritt 6 (sub. Walker 6),
Warman 6, Madden 6, Berry 5, Tydeman 6,
★ **POWELL** 7, Walsh 6, Hales 6, Naylor 6,
Robinson 6
Portsmouth: Mellor 6, McLaughlin 6,
Bryant 6, Doyle 6, Auzlewood 7, Croft 7,
Gregory 7, Tait 6, ★ **RAFFERTY** 8, Barnard
6, Rogers 6
Referee: A. W. Grey (Norfolk)
Match Rating: ★★★

HULL (0) 0
SWINDON (0) 0
Att 2,789
Hull: Norman 6, Hoolickin 5, Booth 6,
Richards 5, Roberts, D 5, Ferguson 6,
★ **MARWOOD** 8, Swann 5, Whitehurst 5
(sub. Norrie), Mutrie 5, Deacy 6
Swindon: Allan 7, Henry 6, ★ **PEACH** 8,
Kamara 5, Lewis 6, Stroud 5, Miller 7,
Carter 6, Rowland 5, Rideout 6, Williams 5
Referee: D. Owen (Cheshire)
Match Rating: ★★

PLYMOUTH (0) 1 (Hodges 79)
SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 0
Att 4,897
Plymouth: Crudgington 7, Nisbet 7,
Harrison 6, Hodges 6, Foster 6, Phillips
Masters 5, Johnson 6, Kemp 7, Sims 7,
Randell 7, ★ **MURPHY** 8
Sheff Utd: Conroy 6, Casey 6, Garner 6,
★ **HOUSTON** 8, Tibbott 7, Trussion 5,
Wiggin 5, Givens 6, Charles 5, Hutton 6,
Ryan 5
Referee: S. G. Bates (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

NORTHAMPTON (0) 0
HEREFORD (0) 0
Att 1,380
Northampton: Poole 7, Saxby 6, Saunders
6, Farmer 6, Gage 7, Williams 6, Carlton 5,
Sandy 5, Heeley 6, Bowen 6, ★ **DENYER** 8
Hereford: Cashley 7, Price 5, Pejic 7, Hicks
6, Cornes 6, Bartley 6, Harvey 6, Spirling 5,
Showers 5, McGrellis 6, ★ **WHITE** 8
Referee: E. G. Flint (Kirkby in Ashfield)
Match Rating: ★★

PORT VALE (1) 2 (Chamberlain, N 20,
Bowles 86)
BRADFORD CITY (0) 1 (Campbell 90)

Att 2,221
Port Vale: Lloyd 7, Brissett 7, Bromage 7,
Seech 7, Bowles 7, Sproson 7, Miller 6,
Armstrong 6, ★ **CHAMBERLAIN**, N 8,
Chamberlain M 6, Bennett 6
Bradford: Ramsbottom 6, Podd 6, Wood 6,
Ingham 6, Jackson 5, Watson 6, Chapman
5, Standforth 6, ★ **CAMPBELL** 7, McNiven
6, Black 6
Referee: G. Naphthine (Loughborough)
Match Rating: ★★

YORK (0) 0
BURY (1) 1 (Johnson 12)
Att 1,786
York: Blackburn 7, ★ **HOOD** 8, Welsh 6,
McGhie 6, Clements 6 (sub. Smith), Craig 6,
Ford 6, Byrne 6, Randall 6, McDonald 6,
Pugh 7
Bury: Southall 7, Constantine 6 (sub.
Mullen 7), Kennedy 7, Gore 6,
★ **WHITEHEAD** 9, Howard 7, Johnson 7,
Butler 6, Madden 6, Jakub 6, Cruickshank 7
Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle-upon
Tyne)
Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH Second Division

BRECHIN (1) 1 (Campbell 19)
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (0) 0
Att 1,000

Wednesday, April 15

FA Cup Semi-Final Replay

TOTTENHAM (2) 3 (Crooks 11, 45, Villa 53)
WOLVES (0) 0
Att 52,539
Played at Highbury
Spurs: Aleksic 7, Hughton 7, Miller 7,
Roberts 7, Villa 8, Perryman 7, Ardies 8
(sub. Brooke), Archibald 7, Galvin 7
★ **HODDLE** 9, Crooks 8
Wolves: Bradshaw 6, Palmer 6, Parkin 6,
Hughes 6 (sub. Clarke 6), McAllie 6, Berry
5, Hibbit 6, ★ **CARR** 7, Bell 5, Richards
6, Eves 5
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Division Two

NEWCASTLE (0) 0
BLACKBURN (0) 0
Att 15,229
Newcastle: Carr 7, Brownlie 7, Davies 7,
Martin 6, Barrion 7, Halliday 7,
★ **SHOULDER** 8, Treweek 6, Harford 6,
Wharton 7, Walker 6
Blackburn: Arnold 7, Branagan 6, Rathbone
6, ★ **KENDALL** 9, Keeley 7, Fazackerley 7,
Garner 6, Crawford 6, Lowey 6, Burke 7,
Speight 8
Referee: M. Lowe (Sheffield)
Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH Scottish Cup Semi-Final Replay

CELTIC (2) 2 (Nicholas, pen 5, 44)
DUNDEE UNITED (2) 3 (Bannon 7,
Hegarty 10, 76)
Att 32,323
Celtic: Bonnar 7, MacLeod 7, Reid 7,
Sullivan 7 (sub. Doyle), McAdam 7
★ **AITKEN** 8, Provan 7, Conroy 8, McGarvey
6, Burns 6, Nicholas 7
Dundee Utd: McAlpine 7, Holt 7, Kopel 7,
Phillip 7, Hegarty 8, Narey 8, ★ **BANNON** 9,
Milne 7, Kirkwood 7, Sturrock 8, Dodds 7
Referee: G. B. Smith (Edinburgh)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Premier Division

RANGERS (1) 1 (Russell 44)
ST MIRREN (0) 0
Att 7,000
Rangers: Stewart 7, Miller 6, Dawson 7

Johnstone 6, Jackson 6, Bett 6, McLean 6,
★ **RUSSELL** 8, McAdam 6, Redford 6,
Johnston 7
St Mirren: Thomson 7, Young 6, McAvety
6, Copland 7, Fulton 7, Abercrombie 6, Bone
6 (sub. Speirs), Stark 6, Somner 6
★ **RICHARDSON** 8, Logan 7
Referee: B. Robertson (East Kilbride)
Match Rating: ★★

KILMARNOCK (0) 0
MORTON (0) 0
Att 973
Kilmarnock: McCulloch 6, McLean 6,
Cockburn 6, ★ **CLARK** 7, Armstrong 5,
McDicken 5, McCreadie 6, Mauchien 6,
Bourke 5, Eadie 5, Cramond 6,
Morton: Barnes 6, Hayes 6, Wilke 6,
Rooney 5, McLaughlin 6, ★ **DRA** 7, Houston
5, Busby 5, Cochrane 5, Tolmie 6, Ritchie 6,
Referee: A. Waddell (Pencuik)
Match Rating: ★★

First Division

DUNFERMLINE (1) 2 (Hegarty 14,
McNaughton 77)
MOTHERWELL (1) 1 (Irvine 34)
Att 2,000
Hibernian (3) 3 (Rae 14, 37, Paterson 40)
CLYDEBANK (0) 0
Att 4,000

Second Division

COWDENBEATH (2) 4 (Liddle 24, 33,
Forest 73, 87)
ALLOA (0) 2 (Hort 74, pen 77)
Att 1,000

Friday, April 17

Division Two

WATFORD (0) 2 (Gray, og 50, Bolton 54)
ORIENT (0) 0
Att 12,459
Watford: Sherwood 7, Rice 6, Harrison 6,
★ **TAYLOR** 8, Terry 6, Bolton 6, Ward 5
(sub. Callaghan 6), Blissett 7, Armstrong 6,
Jackett 6, Poskett 7
Orient: Day 5, Fisher 6, Rofley 6,
★ **TAYLOR**, T 7, Gray 6, Moores 5, Godfrey
5, Jennings 6, Mayo 8, Bowles 6, Taylor, P 6
Referee: C. Thomas (Porthcawl)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Three

CHESTER (0) 2 (Cooke 78, 89)
BLACKPOOL (0) 1 (Entwistle 60)
Att 2,804
Chester: Millington 5, Needham 6 (sub.
Cooke 7), Raynor 7, Storton 5, Cottam 6,
Oakes 6, Sutcliffe 7, ★ **JONES** 8, Fear 6,
Burch 5, Ludlam 6
Blackpool: Hesford 5, Gardner 5, Pashley 6,
Noble 7, Stragira 6, McEwan 6, Morgan 7,
Harrison 6, Entwistle 6, Morris 7
★ **BAMDER** 8
Referee: P. Partridge (Durham)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

HARTLEPOOL (0) 2 (Howard 56, Linacre 77)
DARLINGTON (0) 0
Att 5,531
Hartlepool: Richardson 7, ★ **LINACRE** 9,
Stimpson 8, Lawrence 7, Bird 7, Brown 8,
Kerr 6, Lingham 7, Howard 8, Houchen 7,
Hogan 7
Darlington: Cuff 7, Kamara 6, McLean 6,
Smith 7, Skipper 6, Speedie 5, Hawker 7,
Charlton 7 (sub. Wilson 6), ★ **STALKER** 8,
Hamilton 7, Walsh 6
Referee: T. Miles (Barnsley)
Match Rating: ★★

SOUTHEND (1) 2 (Hadley 28, Spence 81)
BOURNEMOUTH (0) 1 (Morgan 71)
Att 7,355

MATCH WEEKLY

Match FACTS

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Southend, Cavston 8, Stead 6, Yates 7, Hadley 7, Moody 7, Cusack 6, Gray 6, Pountney 6, Spence 7, Mercer 7 (sub Ne son 6). ***OTULAKOWSKI 8**
Bournemouth ***ALLEN 8**, Impey 6, Ferns 5, Smith 5, Compton 7, Heffernan 6, Dowry 6, Morgan 7, Mooney 6, Spackman 7, Sulley 7
Referee: J. C. Deakin (Bedford)
Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Ferns (Bournemouth)

TRANMERE (0) 1 (Craven 51)
DONCASTER (0) 1 (Warboys, pen 64)
Att: 2,919
Tranmere: Johnson 6, Mungall 6, Mathias 6, ***BRAMHALL 8**, Parry 7, Evans 6, Craven 6 (sub Le Cornu), Hamilton 5, Williams 6, Kerr 5, Griffiths 7
Doncaster: Boyd 6, Russell 6, Dawson 5, Snodin 1, Lister 6, Dowd 6 (sub Swann 5), Pugh 6, Nimmo 5, Warboys 5, ***SNODIN 6**, G 7, Harle 6
Referee: D. Scott (Burnley)
Match Rating: ★★★

Saturday, April 18 Division One

ASTON VILLA (2) 2 (Cowans, pen 29, Withe 45)

MATCH WINNERS

SIX WINNERS of the Liverpool Story book who supplied the best Corrigan/Dalglish picture captions for our April 11 competition were:
Susan Clark, Ipswich ('I had pre-match butterflies so our doctor made me eat mothballs'); Ruth Greenhalgh, Hammersmith ('You were right, that referee can't spell'); Scott McKenzie, Shortlees, Kilmarnock ('Malcolm Allison's looking for a bodyguard. You're on his shortlist, Joe'); Adrian Taylor, Kirby-in-Ashfield, Notts ('I bet that photographer's wondering what we're talking about'); David Edwards, Bradford ('I saw Palace on the telly last night... on Survival!'); Richard Hemass, Boston Spa, Wetherby, Yorks ('Cost us a goal when that linesman swatted that wasp!').

FIVE lucky readers each receive an England poster autographed by Match Weekly columnist Glenn Hoddle for their successful entries in our Crossword No. 60 (April 11 issue).

They are: Mark Pugh, Flint, Clywd; Paul Wozny, Northampton; Grant Wharton, Dalston, Carlisle; David Burrows, Wellington, Telford; Ian Pounder, Normoss, Blackpool

The twenty runners up, who each receive a Match Weekly sew-on badge are: Paul Allison, Gainsborough, Lincs; Peter Funnell, Gelsey Wood, Chelmsford, John Carson, Sunderland; Andrew Duckhouse, Bloxwich, Walsall; Brenda Smales, Ferryhill, Co. Durham; Graham Lamb, Whitefield, Manchester; Andrew Hutton, Romford, Essex; Darren Earle, Wimborne, Dorset; Andrew Watters, Bridlington, Yorks; R. Mathews, Didsbury, Manchester; Graham Edwards, Welshpool, Powys; Peter Atkins, Stamford, Lincs; S. Howes, Exeter; Peter Blaney, Epsom Downs, Surrey; Christopher Vinnicombe, Exeter; J. Kerslake, Spring Park, Northampton; Clifford Ward, Richmond, Surrey; Gary Bridgewater, Bromsgrove, Worcs; Ian Meason, Blidworth, Mansfield; Barry Hilton, Polegate, East Sussex

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0
Att: 34,707
Aston Villa: Rimmer 6, Swain 6, Gibson 7, Williams 7, McNaught 7, Mortimer 7, Bremner 7, Shaw 7, ***WITHE 8**, Cowans 7, Morley 8
Nottm Forest: ***SHILTON 8**, Anderson 6, Gunn 6, McGovern 7, Aes 6, Needham 6, Mills 6, Ward 7, Francis 6, Gray 6, Robinson 8
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: ★★★

COVENTRY (2) 2 (Daly 25, Thompson 44)
STOKE (0) 2 (Chapman 49, Maguire, pen 70)
Att: 12,766
Coventry: Seeley 7, Coop 6, Roberts 6, Blair 6, Dyson 6, ***GILLESPIE 8**, Bennister 5, Daly 7, Thompson 6, English 6, Hunt 7
Stoke: Fox 7, Evans 7, Munro 7, Dodd 6, O'Callaghan 6, Doyle 7, Hampton 6, Bracewell 6, Chapman 7, Heath 7, ***MAGUIRE 8**
Referee: M. Bidmead (Chesham)
Match Rating: ★★★

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0
BRIGHTON (2) 3 (Gregory 12, 37, Smith 67)
Att: 18,791
Crystal Palace: Barron 5, ***LOVELL 7**, Hinchelwood 6, Price 6, Boyle 6, Cannon 5, Bason 8, Brooks 6, Walsh 5 (sub Gilbert), Langley 5, Hilaire 6
Brighton: Digweed 7, Ramsey 5 (sub Ryan), Williams 6, Horton 7, ***FOSTER 8**, Lawrenson 7, Gregory 7, O'Sullivan 6, Robinson 5, Ritchie 6, Smith 7
Referee: L. Burdett (Corle Mullen)
Match Rating: ★★★

EVERTON (2) 4 (Hartford 12, pen 41, Megson 58, Eastoe 64)
MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 1 (Shearer 38)
Att: 15,706
Everton: McDonagh 6, Gidman 7, Ratcliffe 7, Wright 6, Lyons 7, Stanley 6 (sub Sharp 6), Megson 7, ***EASTOE 9**, Varadi 6, Hartford 8, Lodge 7
Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Natrass 6 (sub Ashcroft 6), Bailey 6, Bell 7, Angus 7, McAndrew 7, Burns 6, Proctor 6, McDonald 6, ***SHEARER 9**, Armstrong 7
Referee: N. Riley (West Houghton)
Match Rating: ★★

IPSWICH (0) 0
ARSENAL (1) 2 (Nicholas 17, Sensom 58)
Att: 30,935
Ipswich: Cooper 7, ***MILLS 8**, McCall 7, O'Callaghan 5, Osman 7, Butcher 7, Wark 6, Muhren 6, Manner 6, Brazil 6, Gates 6 (sub Parkin 7)
Arsenal: Jennings 7, Devine 6, Sensom 7, Calvert 6, O'Leary 6, Young 7, Hollins 7, Sunderland 6, Stapleton 7, Nicholas 7, ***DAVIS 8**
Referee: B. Martin (Keyworth)
Match Rating: ★★★

LEICESTER (0) 2 (Young 48, Lyness 69)
SOUTHAMPTON (0) 2 (Baker 55, Moran 79)
Att: 21,239
Leicester: Wallington 7, Williams 8, Frier 8, Byrne 7, May 8, O'Neill 7, ***LYNEX 9**, Henderson 5 (sub McDonald), Young 7, Wilson 7, Smith 6
Southampton: Wells 7, Golac 8, Holmes 6, ***WILLIAMS 9**, Watson 7, Nicholl 7, Keegan 6, Channon 7, Baker 6, Moran 8, Ball 7
Referee: N. J. Ashley (Nantwich)
Match Rating: ★★★

LEEDS (0) 0
LIVERPOOL (0) 0
Att: 39,206
Leeds: Lukic 7, Greenhoff 6, Gray 6, Flynn 6, Hart 6, ***CHERRY 8**, Harris 7, Hird 7, Perlane 6, Stevenson 6, Graham 6
Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 6, Money 6, ***THOMPSON 8**, Kennedy 6, R 7, Hansen 6, Dalglish 7, Lee 6, Johnson 6, McDermott 6, Souness 6
Referee: G. M. Tyson (Sunderland)
Match Rating: ★★

MANCHESTER UNITED (2) 2 (Jordan 2, Macan 34)
WEST BROM (0) 1 (Regis 62)
Att: 44,442
Man Utd: Bailey 6, Duxbury 6, Albriston 8,

Moran 6, McQueen 7, Buchan 7, Coppell 6, Birtles 6, Jordan 7, Macari 7, ***WILKINS 8**, WBA, Godden 6, Batson 6, Statham 7, Moses 6, Wile 6, Robertson 6, ***ROBSON 8**, Brown 5 (sub Cross), Regis 6, Owen 7, Barnes 6
Referee: G. P. Owen (Anglesey)
Match Rating: ★★★

SUNDERLAND (2) 3 (Richie 28, 39, pen 77)
BIRMINGHAM (0) 0
Att: 20,158
Sunderland: Siddall 7, Hinnigan 6, Bolton 6, Hindmarsh 6, Allardice 6, Elliott 7 (sub Rowell), Arnott 7, Buckley 7, ***RITCHIE 9**, Brown 6, Cummins 8
Birmingham: Wealdens 7, Langan 7, Broadhurst 6, ***DILLON 9**, Van den Hauwe 6, Todd 6, Arnsco 6, Evans 7, Bertschin 6, Gemmill 6, Handysides 6
Referee: K. Walmsley (Blackpool)
Match Rating: ★★

TOTTENHAM (2) 2 (Hodde, pen 23, Miller 35)
NORWICH (2) 3 (O'Neill 8, Watson 27, Roberts, og 60)
Att: 34,413
Spurs: Aleksic 6, Hughton 6, Miller 7, Roberts 6, Brooke 6 (sub Hazard 7), Perryman 7, Ardiles 6, Archibald 6, Galvin 7, ***HODDLE 8**, Crooks 7
Norwich: Woods 6, McDowell 6 (sub Hoadley 6), Downs 7, McGuire 7, Walford 6, Watson 7, ***O'NEILL 8**, Fashanu 7, Royle 7, Paddon 7, Berham 6
Referee: M. Robinson (West Midlands)
Match Rating: ★★

WOLVES (1) 1 (Richards 1)
MANCHESTER CITY (1) 3 (Tueart 27, Bennett 54, 85)
Att: 17,037
Wolves: Bradshaw 5, Humphrey 5, Parkin 5, Clarke 6 (sub Teasdale 5), McAllie 5, Berry 6, Hibbit 6, Atkinson 5, Bell 5, ***RICHARDS 7**, Moss 5
Man City: Corrigan 6, Henry 5, McDonald 6, Booth 5, Power 6, Caton 5 (sub Buckley 5), Bennett 7, ***TUEART 8**, Mackenzie 6, Kinsey 5, Reeves 5
Referee: M. P. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Two

BLACKBURN (0) 0
BOLTON (0) 0
Att: 16,357
Blackburn: Arnold 6, Branagan 5, Rathbone 5, Kendall 5, ***KEELEY 7**, Fazackerley 6, Garner 4, Stonehouse 4, Lowey 4, Burke 4, Speight 5
Bolton: Poole 6, Nicholson 4, Walsh 4, Reid 4, Jones 5, Cantello 4, ***NIKOLIC 7**, Whistmore 5, Thomas 4, Hoggan 4, Gowing 5
Referee: T. Farley (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★

BRISTOL CITY (0) 0
CHELSEA (0) 0
Att: 9,764
Bristol City: Moller 6, Stevens 6, Hay 7, Arken 6, Marshall 7, Sweeney 7, Musker 6, Fitzpatrick 7, ***MABBUTT 9**, Mann 7, Chandler 6
Chelsea: Borota 5, Chivers 6, Pates 7, Burnstead 6, Droy (sub Locke 6), Nutton 6, ***DRIVER 8**, Filley 7, Lee 7, Mayes 6, Hutchins 6
Referee: A. R. Glasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★★

DERBY (1) 2 (Wilson 41, McFarland 55)
NEWCASTLE (0) 0
Att: 14,139
Derby: Jones 6, Osgood 6, Buckley 7, Powell, S 7, ***MCFARLAND 9**, Powell, B 8, Reid 8, Hector 6, Clayton 6, Wilson 7, Emson 6
Newcastle: Carr 5, Brownlie 6, Davies 6, Martin 5, Barton 6, Halliday 7, Shoulder 6, ***TREWICK 8**, Harford 5, Wharton 6, Walker 6
Referee: H. King (Merthyr Tydfil)
Match Rating: ★★

GRIMSBY (0) 0
OLDHAM (0) 0
Att: 10,634
Grimsby: Batch 7, Stone 7, Crouse 6,

***WATERS 8**, Wigginton 7, Moore, K 6, Broily 5, Whymark 7, Drinkell 7, Mitchell 7, Steeples 7 (sub Ford 6)
Oldham: McDonnell 7, Edwards 7, Blair 7, Keegan 6, Clements 7, ***FUTCHER 8**, Wyldie 5, McDonough 5, Steel 6, Palmer 7, Atkinson 5
Referee: H. Taylor (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★★

LUTON (1) 1 (Moss, pen 40)
BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 0
Att: 9,009
Luton: Findlay 7, Stephens 8, Donaghy 6, Greshill 5, Saxby 7, Price 7, ***HILL 8**, Stein 8, Ingram 8, Antic 7, Moss 6
Bristol Rovers: McAlister 7, Gillies 6, Slater 7, McCaffery 7, Hughes 6, ***EMMANUEL 8**, Williams, G 6 (sub Williams, D 6), Barrett 7, Randall 6, Lee 6, Mabbott 7
Referee: M. J. Taylor (Deal)
Match Rating: ★★

NOTTS COUNTY (0) 0
PRESTON (0) 0
Att: 8,485
Notts County: Avramovic 7, Benjamin 7, O'Brien 6, Goodwin 6, Kulcine 7, Richards 7, McCulloch 7, ***MASSON 8**, Christie 6, Hunt 6, Beavon 5 (sub Harkouk 6)
Preston: Tunks 7, Taylor 6, Burns 6, Haslegrave 7, Baxter 6, Blackley 6, Coleman 6, Bell 7, Elliott 6, ***HOUSTON 8**, Bruce 7
Referee: C. Masekell (Cambridge)
Match Rating: ★★

ORIENT (0) 0
WEST HAM (2) 2 (Neighbour 17, Pike 39)
Att: 14,592
Orient: Day 7, ***FISHER 8**, Roffey 6, Taylor, T 5 (sub Mayo 5), Gray 8, Moores 5, Chiedozi 7, Hughton 6, Jennings 5, Bowles 6, Taylor, P 6
West Ham: Parkes 7, ***STEWART 8**, Lampard 5, Bonds 6, Kurline 7, Devonshire 7, Neighbour 7, Pearson 6 (sub Barnes 6), Cross 6, Brooking 7, Pike 6
Referee: R. S. Lewis (St. Bookham)
Match Rating: ★★

QPR (0) 0
WATFORD (0) 0
Att: 10,571
QPR: Burridge 7, Neil 6, Gillard 6, Fenwick 6, ***WICKS 8**, Roeder 5, Waddock 5, Francis 7, Flanagan 7, Currie 6, Burke 6
Watford: Sherwood 7, Rice 7, Harrison 6, Taylor 5, Terry 5, Bolton 5, Callaghan 6, ***BLISSETT 8**, Armstrong 6, Jackett 7, Roston 6
Referee: B. Hill (Kettering)
Match Rating: ★★

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 4
(McCulloch 53, 81, 83, Taylor 79)
CAMBRIDGE (1) 1 (Streete 16)
Att: 14,315
Sheff Wed: Bolder 7, Blackhall 7, Grant 8, Smith 8, Pickering 7, Johnson 7, Mellor 6, Taylor 7, Mirovic 6, ***MCCULLOCH 9**, Curran 7
Cambridge: Key 7, Donaldson 7, Murray 6, Turner 6, ***SMITH 8**, Gibbins 7, Streete 7, Spriggs 6, Christie 6 (sub Goldsmith 6), Lyons 6, O'Neill 6
Referee: A. Dobson (Blackburn)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Streete (Cambridge)

SWANSEA (1) 1 (James, L 43)
CARDIFF (0) 1 (Stevens 79)
Att: 19,038
Swansea: Stewart 6, Evans 7, Habziabdic 7, Rajkovic 5, Stevenson 6, Lewis, D 6, ***CURTIS 8**, James, R 6, James, L 7, Charles 6, Craig 6
Cardiff: Healey 6, Jones 6, Sullivan 7, Gardie 6, Pontun 7, Dwyer 6, ***LEWIS, J 8**, Kitchen 6, Stevens 6, Ronson 7, Giles 5
Referee: D. W. Civi (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

WREXHAM (0) 1 (Hill 85)
SHREWSBURY (1) 2 (Biggins 24, Atkins 77)
Att: 8,416
Wrexham: Davies 7, Jones 6, Dwyer 6, ***DAVIS 8**, Cegielski 6, Carrodus 5 (sub Buxton 6), Fox 6, Arkwright 5, Vinter 6, McNeil 5, Hill 6
Shrewsbury: Waddie 7, King 7, Leonard 7, Turner 7, ***GRIFFIN 8**, Keay 7, Tong 7, Atkins 7, Dungworth 8, Biggins 6, Cross 6

Match FACTS

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Referee: G. Courtney (Spannymoor)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Three

BLACKPOOL (0) 0
BURNLEY (0) 0

Att: 7,198
Blackpool: Hesford 7, Gardner 7,
★PASHLEY 9, Williams 5, Sbraglia 6 (sub.
Hockaday 6), McEwan 7, Morgan 6,
Harrison 6, Entwistle 5, Morris 6, Bamber 5.
Burnley: Stevenson 7, Wood 6, Laws 6,
Phelan 6, Overson 7, Dobson 8, Young 7.
★ROBERTSON 9, Hamilton 7, Scott 7,
Potts 7.
Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★

BRENTFORD (0) 1 (Booker 85)
SHEFFIELD UNITED (1) 1 (Givens 14)
Att: 5,620
Brentford: McKellar 6, Tucker 7, Hill 6,
McNichol 6, Kruse 6, Hurlock 7, Shrubbs 8,
Booker 7, Johnson 6, Harris 6, ★ROBERTS
8.
Sheff Utd: ★CONROY 9, Cutshaw 6,
Garner 6, Houston 6, Tibbott 6, Trussan 5,
Wiggin 6, Givens 7, Charles 6, Hatton 7,
Ryan 7.
Referee: J. Bray (Hinckley)
Match Rating: ★★

CARLISLE (0) 0
ROTHERHAM (1) 1 (Fern 3)
Att: 8,798
Carlisle: Swinburne 7, Coady 6, Haigh 6,
Hamilton 7, Houghton 6, Parker 7,
★COUGHLIN 8, Campbell 6, Robson 6
(sub. Bannan 7), Beardsley 7, Staniforth 7.
Rotherham: Mountford 7, ★FORREST 8,
Breckin 6, Rhodes 7, Stancliffe 6, Mullen 7,
Towner 7, Sessman 7, Moore 6, Fern 7,
Gooding 6.
Referee: J. Worral (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★

CHESTERFIELD (2) 2 (Moss 5, Crawford 40)
CHESTER (0) 0
Att: 3,850
Chesterfield: Turner 6, Strik 6, O'Neill 6,
Kowalski 6, Green 7, Ridley 7, Birch 7,
Moss 7, Bonnyman 6, Tarti 6,
★CRAWFORD 8.
Chester: Millington 6, Raynor 5, Burns 6,
Storton 5, Cottam 6, ★OAKES 8, Fear 6,
Phillips 7, Birch 6 (sub. Zelem 6), Cooke 7,
Ludlam 6.
Referee: K. G. Salmon (Barnet)
Match Rating: ★★

FULHAM (1) 1 (Coney 9)
CHARLTON (0) 0
Att: 7,102
Fulham: ★STANNARD 9, Locke 6 (sub.
O'Driscoll 7), Strong 7, Peters 7, Brown 8,
Clement 6, Davies 7, Beck 6, Coney 7,
Wilson 7, Lawington 6.
Charlton: Johns 7, Gritt 6, Warman 6,
Madden 7, Berry 6, Tydeman 7, Powell 7,
Naylor 6, Walsh 7, ★ROBINSON 8, Hales 6.
Referee: A. Gunn (Burgess Hill)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Hales (Charlton)

GILLINGHAM (0) 0
COLCHESTER (0) 0
Att: 4,408
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Young 6, Overton 6
(sub. Adams 6), ★BRUCE 8, Weatherly 7,
Crabbe 6, Nicholl 7, Duncan 5, Price 6, Lee 6,
White 6.
Colchester: Walker 7, Cooke 6, Crouch 6,
Leslie 6, Wignall 7, Pecker 6, ★WRIGHT 8,
Longhorn 6, Bremner 6, Foley 6, Allinson 7.
Referee: A. Robinson (Waterlooville)
Match Rating: ★★

HULL (0) 2 (Marwood 75, Deacy 89)
HUDDERSFIELD (0) 1 (Robins 88)
Att: 6,328
Hull: Norman 7, Hoolickin 6, Booth 7,
Richards 6, Eccleston 5, Ferguson 6,
Marwood 7, Swann 5 (sub. ★EDWARDS
8), Whitehurst 6, Mutrie 6, Deacy 6.
Huddersfield: Freeman 6, Brown 7,
Robinson 6, ★STANTON 8, Sutton 6,
Hanvey 6, Lillis 6, Laverick 6 (sub. Austin 6),
Kindon 7, Robins 7, Cowling 6.
Referee: G. E. Flint (Kirkby-in-Ashfield)
Match Rating: ★★

NEWPORT (0) 2 (Tynan 55, Waddle 63)
EXETER (1) 1 (Kellow, pen 14)
Att: 5,231
Newport: Kendall 6, Walden 6, Relish 7,
Davies 6, Oakes 7, Bailey 6, Vaughan 6,
Tynan 7, Waddle 7, ★ALDRIDGE 8 (sub.
Bishop), Moore 7.
Exeter: Nute 6, Rogers, M 6, Sparrow 6,
Forbes 6 (sub. Ireland 6), Roberts, L 7,
Roberts, P 6, Pearson 7, Rogers, P 7,
★KELLOW 8, Pratt 7, Pearson 7.
Referee: R. Toseland (Market Harborough)
Match Rating: ★★

OXFORD (1) 2 (Page 3, Smithers 43)
READING (1) 1 (Hetzke 24)
Att: 5,388
Oxford: Burtón 7, Doyle 6, Fogg 5,
★JEFFREY 8, Briggs 6, Shotton 5, Jones 5,
Foley 5, Smithers 6, Cassells 7, Page 7.
Reading: Fearon 6, Williams 5, Lewis 5,
Bowman 6, Wood 5, ★HETZKE 7, Beavon
5, Kearney 5, Dixon 5, Heale 6, Sanchez 6.
Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke on Trent)
Match Rating: ★★

PLYMOUTH (0) 0
SWINDON (0) 0
Att: 6,369
Plymouth: Crudgington 6, Nisbet 5,
Harrison 5, Hodges 6, Foster 6, Phillipson-
Masters 5, Johnson 5, ★KEMP 7, Sims 6,
Randell 5, Murphy 5.
Swindon: Allen 7, Henry 5, Peach 5,
★KAMARA 8, Lewis 6, Stroud 5, Miller 5,
Carter 6, Rowlands 5, Rideout 6, Williams 5.
Referee: A. J. Hamill (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★

PORTSMOUTH (1) 2 (Doyle, pen 9,
Gregory 64)
MILLWALL (1) 1 (Horrix 6)
Att: 13,115
Portsmouth: Mellor 6, McLaughlin 7,
Bryant 7, Doyle 5, Aizlewood 6, Croft 6,
Gregory 7, Tait 6, Reifferty 6, Barnard 5,
★ROGERS 8.
Millwall: Gleasure 6, Martin 5, Roberts 5,
Chatterton 6, Tagg 7, ★KITCHENER 8,
Dibble 5, Anderson 6 (sub. Hayes 6), Horrix
7, Mitchell 6, Bartley 6.
Referee: S. G. Bates (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

WALSALL (0) 1 (Buckley, pen 71)
BARNLEY (1) 1 (Cooper 17)
Att: 6,026
Walsall: Green 7, Macken 6, Mower 6,
Serella 6 (sub. Horne 7), Baines 7, Hart 6,
Rees 7, ★WADDINGTON 8, S. Penn 7,
Buckley 6, O'Kelly 5.
Barnley: Pierce 6, Joyce 7, Chambers 7,
Cooper 7, Banks 7, McCarthy 7, Evans 7,
Parker 7, Aylott 6 (sub. Glavin), ★MCCHALE
8, Barrowclough 6.
Referee: E. Read (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (0) 1 (Bennett 90)
SOUTHEND (2) 2 (Nelson 22, Gray 25)
Att: 4,433
Aldershot: Johnson 6, Edwards 6, Jopling
5, Bennett 5, Wooler 5, ★BRILEY 7, Crosby
5 (sub. Garwood 5), Scott 6, Sanford 6,
Robinson 6, Lucas 5.
Southend: Cawston 7, Stead 6, Yates 6,
Hadley 6, Moody 6, Cusack 6, Gray 6,
Pountney 6, ★SPENCE 9, Nelson 6,
Otusikowski 8.
Referee: D. Hedges (Oxford)
Match Rating: ★★

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
WIMBLEDON (1) 1 (Downes 42)
Att: 5,048
Bournemouth: ★ALLEN 8, Impey 7, Butler
6, Smith 6, B 7, Compton 6, Heffernan 6,
Dawtry 6, Morgan 6, Mooney 5, Spackman
5 (sub. Pugh), Sulley 6.
Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Brown 7,
Armstrong 6, Galliers 7, Smith, M 7,
Cunningham 6, Ketteridge 7, Denny 6,
★LESLIE 8, Joseph 7, Downes 7.
Referee: B. Stevens (Stonehouse)
Match Rating: ★★

BURY (2) 5 (Whitehead 7, Johnson 44, pen
48, Madden 55, 87, Butler 79)
SCUNTHORPE (0) 1 (Stewart 72)

Att: 2,357
Bury: Southall 7, Constantine 7,
★WHITEHEAD 8, Howard 7, Kennedy 7,
Gore 6, Cruickshank 6, Jakub 5, Johnson 7,
Madden 6, Butler 5.
Scunthorpe: Neenan 6, Davy 6, ★DALL 7,
Boxell 6, Pilling 6, O'Berg 6, Grimes 5, Pugh
6, Stewart 6, Cammack 6, Green 6.
Referee: C. N. Seel (Carlisle)
Match Rating: ★★

DARLINGTON (3) 3 (Stalker 2, Walsh 23,
26)
HALIFAX (0) 1 (McIlwraith, pen 63)
Att: 2,015
Darlington: Culf 6, McLean 6, Wilson 6,
Smith 7, Skipper 7, Speedie 7, Hawker 5,
Stell 6, Stalker 7, Hamilton 6, ★WALSH 8.
Halifax: Kilner 6, Ward 6, Burton 6, Evans
5, Ayre 6, Chambers 6, Firth 6, ★GRAHAM
7, Allatt 5, Whiteley 6, McIlwraith 6.
Referee: D. Owen (Bebington)
Match Rating: ★★

MANSFIELD (0) 2 (Thomson 57, Carr, og
78)
LINCOLN (0) 0
Att: 4,771
Mansfield: Sutton 6, McJannet 6, Wood 5
(sub. Pollard), ★BIRD 8, Burrows 5,
McClelland 6, Allen 5, Mann 7, Caldwell 6,
Hamilton 5, Thomson 5.
Lincoln: Feigate 6, Thompson, T 7, Neale 5,
Carr 6, Peake 6, ★THOMPSON 8, 6,
Cunningham 5, Turner 6, Hobson 6,
Biggins 5 (sub. Bell), Shipley 5.
Referee: A. W. Grey (Gorleston-on-Sea)
Match Rating: ★★

PETERBOROUGH (1) 2 (Cooke 28, Gynn
82)
CREWE (0) 1 (Bowers 82)
Att: 3,743
Peterborough: Waugh 8, Winters 7, Phillips
6, Gynn 7, Slack 6, Foster 7, Quow 6,
Kellock 7, ★COOKE 9, Hodgson 8, Syrett 5
(sub. Robson).
Crewe: Mulhearn 6, McMahon 8, Lewis 6,
Hunter 7, ★SCOTT 6, Prophet 6, Chesters
6, Davies 7, Conroy 7 (sub. Coyne 6), Palios
6, Bowers 6.
Referee: D. Reeves (Uxbridge)
Match Rating: ★★

PORT VALE (1) 1 (Sproson 35)
NORTHAMPTON (0) 1 (Phillips 90)
Att: 2,371
Port Vale: Lloyd 6, Brisett 6, Bromage 7,
★BEECH 8, Bowles 7, Sproson 7, Miller 7,
Armstrong 7, Chamberlain, N 7,
Chamberlain, M 7, Bennett 6.
Northampton: Poole 7, Saxby 6, Gage 7,
Farmer 7, Saunders 6, Denyer 7, Carlton 7,
Sandy 7, ★PHILLIPS 8, Bowen 7, Healey 7.
Referee: A. Challoner (Maltby)
Match Rating: ★★

ROCHDALE (1) 3 (Taylor 31, Hilditch 65,
Jones 89)
YORK (0) 2 (McDonald 82, pen 89)
Att: 1,851
Rochdale: Crawford 7, Jones 6, Snookes 7,
Seal 6, Burke 6, ★TAYLOR 8 (sub. Weir 7),
Wann 6, O'Loughlin 7, Hilditch 7, Wellings
7, Martinez 7.
York: Blackburn 7, Hood 7, Walsh 6,
McGhie 6, Clements 7, Craig 6, Ford 7,
Byrne 6 (sub. Smith 7), Rendall 7,
★MCDONALD 8, Pugh 6.
Referee: M. G. Pack (Kendall)
Match Rating: ★★

TORQUAY (0) 0
HEREFORD (0) 1 (McGrellis 63)
Att: 1,885
Torquay: ★O'KEEFE 7, Jones 5, Pethered 5,
Coffill 6, Bourne 5, Wilson 6, Fell 5, Bowker
5, Cooper 5, Cox 6, Weston 6.
Hereford: ★CASHLEY 8, Price 6, Pejic 6,
Hicks 7, Cornes 6, Bartley 6, Harvey 6,
Spiring 6, Showers 6, McGrellis 6, White 7.
Referee: D. Hutchinson (Harrrogate)
Match Rating: ★★

WIGAN (1) 2 (Hutchinson 28, Quinn 53)
STOCKPORT (0) 1 (Bradd 79)
Att: 3,980
Wigan: Ward 6, Fretwell 6, McAdam 6,
★CRIBLEY 9, Methven 7, Lloyd 6, Glenn 6,
Wignall 6, Quinn 7, Corrigan 6, Hutchinson
6.
Stockport: Lawson 6, Rutter 6, Sherlock 7,
Fowler 6, Thorpe 6, Sword 6, ★WILLIAMS

8, Sunley 6, Bradd 7, Perke 6, Galvin 7.
Referee: M. R. Baker (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH Premier Division

ABERDEEN (2) 3 (McGhee 26, 80, McCall
28)
AIRDRIE (0) 0
Att: 8,000
Aberdeen: Leighton 7, Kennedy 7, Rougvie
7, Bell 7, McLeish 7, Miller 8, Simpson 7,
McCall 6, ★MCGHEE 9, Angus 8 (sub.
Jarvie), Hewitt 7.
Airdrie: ★MARTIN 8, Cairney 8 (sub.
Thompson 8), Rodger 8, Erwin 7, Anderson,
G 7, McCluskey 6, Flood 7, Clark 5 (sub.
McCafferty 6), Anderson, N 6, McKaown 5,
McGuire 6.
Referee: B. Downey (Edinburgh)
Match Rating: ★★

HEARTS (1) 1 (Maxwell 5)
ST MIRREN (1) 2 (McDougall 28, Logan
88)
Att: 2,000
Hearts: Brough 6, Denny 6, ★SHIELDS 7,
More 6, Liddell, F 6, Hamill 6, Maxwell 6,
Robertson 6, Liddell, G 6, O'Brien 5, Kidd 6.
St Mirren: Thomson 7, Young 7, McAverty
8, Copland 7, Fulton 7, Abercrombie 6, Bone
6, Stark 7, Sommer 6 (sub. Logan 7),
McDougall 7, ★RICHARDSON 8.
Referee: A. Ferguson (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ★★

KILMARNOCK (0) 0
PARTICK (1) 1 (Clark, D 41)
Att: 1,250
Kilmarnock: McCulloch 6, McLean 5,
Cockburn 5 (sub. Robin 6), Bourke 6, Eadie
6, Bryce 5 (sub. Cramond), ★CLARK 7,
Armstrong 6, McDicken 6, McCreadie 6,
Mauchlen 6.
Partick: Rough 7, Welsh 6, Whittaker 6,
Campbell 7, ★ANDERSON 6, Doyle 7, Park
6 (sub. McDonald), Jardine 6, Higgins 6,
O'Hara 6, Clark, G 7.
Referee: A. McGunnigle (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ★★

MORTON (2) 2 (Busby 15, Tolmie 39)
DUNDEE UNITED (0) 0
Att: 3,000
Morton: Baines 7, Hayes 6, Holmes 7,
Rooney 6, McLaughlin 7, Orr 7, Cochran 7,
Busby 6, Thomson 5 (sub. McNab 8).
★TOLMIE 8, Ritchie 6 (sub. Houston 5).
Dundee Utd: McAlpine 5, ★HOLT 7, Kopel
6, Phillip 6, Stark 5 (sub. Pettigrew 6), Narey
6, Bannan 6, Milne 6, Kirkwood 5 (sub.
Addison 6), Sturrock 6, Dodds 5.
Referee: R. Cuthill (Winchburgh)
Match Rating: ★★

RANGERS (0) 0
CELTIC (0) 1 (Nicholas 55)
Att: 34,000
Rangers: ★STEWART 7, Miller 6, Dawson
6, Johnstone 6, Jackson 6, Betti 5 (sub.
MacDonald, J 6), McLean 6, Russell 6,
MacAdam, C 5, Redford 5, Johnston 5 (sub.
Jardine 6).
Celtic: Bonnar 7, McGrain 6, McLeod 7,
MacDonald, R 7, McAdam, T 6, Aitken 7,
Provan 6, Conroy 7, McGarvey 6, Burns 6,
★NICHOLAS 8.
Referee: B. R. McGinlay (Balfirn)
Match Rating: ★★

First Division

AYR (0) 1 (McCutcheon, pen 89)
STIRLING (0) 0
Att: 1,220
Berwick (0) 1 (Tait, pen 60)
Falkirk (1) 2 (Hoggan, pen 12, Perry 55)
Att: 821

**THE remainder of the
Saturday programme
will be published in next
week's MATCH.**



Spurs' Wembley wonders



SPURS are back at Wembley — and no one can deny them the right to meet Manchester City at Wembley on May 9 after their super show against cup specialists Wolves in last week's semi-final replay at Highbury.

Two goals from razor-sharp Garth Crooks and a left foot thunderbolt from Argentinian ace Ricky Villa finished the job that Spurs came so close to completing in the first incident-packed game at Hillsborough, Sheffield.

The agony of seeing victory snatched away by a Willie Carr penalty in the last minute of normal time turned to ecstasy as Spurs blasted their way into their first FA Cup Final since 1967 when they beat Chelsea 2-1.

Above left: Spurs central defender Paul Miller heads clear from Wolves striker Norman Bell, who was deputising for the injured Andy Gray.

Above: Spurs' Wembley Wonders celebrate after Villa had sealed Wolves fate with the third goal. From the right — Glenn Hoddle, who laid on two of the goals.

Ricky Villa, scorer of a crashing left-footer, and Garth Crooks, scorer of the other two goals. Chris Hughton (2) runs over to add his congratulations. Left: Wolves warhorse Emlyn Hughes battles for a ball with Ricky Villa, but couldn't prevent his team losing 3-0.

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'My big test'

JIM CANNON and MICK LYONS

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SOUTHEND team group

JOE GALLAGHER pull-out poster

TOM RITCHIE

RAY WILKINS

ALAN DODD

'Now Stoke can win a major trophy'

AFTER eleven years with Stoke City, defender Alan Dodd is still waiting to fulfil his ambition of winning a medal.

When Stoke won their last major honour — the 1972 League Cup at Wembley — the 27-year-old central defender was just on the threshold of senior football with his home town club.

But the former England Under-23 international, who stood on the Victoria Ground terraces as a youngster, believes his dream may well come true before he hangs up his boots.

"I'm quite optimistic about the future at Stoke and that's why I am content to see out my career here," says Alan, who has made almost 400 League appearances for the club he joined from school.

"We are slowly but surely making progress and I believe we have enough talent in the club to win a major trophy within the next two or three years.

"I suppose the highspot of my time at Stoke so far would be when we won the League Cup, even though I was in the reserves.

"It was also nice to get promotion to the First Division in 1979, just a couple of years after being relegated.

"But I would love to win a medal with the club that has been virtually my whole life."

But Alan admitted that two seasons ago he was on the brink of seeking a move.

"With Mick Doyle and Denis Smith in the heart of the defence I had little opportunity at the time to play in what I thought was my best position.

"Consequently, I was asked to play in other roles.

"Now I have achieved a regular place in the defence I am content.

"There have been times when I have been envious at the money other players make from being transferred, and it would be nice if there were greater financial rewards to encourage more players to remain loyal."

Below: Alan Dodd: "It would be nice if there were greater financial rewards to encourage more players to remain loyal."

TOO often it's the big money transfer players who grab the headlines. What about those players who have remained loyal to one club throughout their careers?

Why have they stayed with their first League club? Have they ever had the chance to move?

What are their happiest memories . . . and their hopes? Melvyn Beck has been finding out . . .

ONE CLUB MEN

Still hungry for success

EDDIE Gray won almost every major honour with Leeds United during the halcyon days of the late sixties and early seventies.

But the long-serving Scot is still hungry for more success.

During those champagne days under Don Revie, Leeds emerged as one of Europe's top clubs with two League championships, F.A. League and Fairs Cup successes.

But it's seven years since the Yorkshire club tasted glory and Eddie thinks that's too long.

"I would like to see the club win at least another major honour while I'm still playing," says the Scottish midfield player turned full back.

"I've got another two years of my contract to run after this season and I hope that in those two seasons we shall get some more success at Elland Road.

"Allan Clarke is doing a fine job and I think there are signs that the club could become a force again in the First Division."

"I know we have had a few barren years, but I've never had any regrets about staying with Leeds throughout my career."

It was Leeds' first Championship success in 1968-69 which sticks out in Eddie's memory.



Above: Eddie Gray: "I've never had any regrets about staying with the club throughout my career."

EDDIE GRAY

"We needed a result at Anfield to win the title and we got a draw plus a great ovation from the Kop. It was an unforgettable moment."

But on the other side of the coin was the nightmare of the shock FA Cup Final defeat by Sunderland in 1973.

"That was the real low spot of my career, particularly as I had such a terrible match that day. It was a dreadful experience."

As for the future, Eddie wants to keep playing as long as possible: "When the day comes for me to retire then I hope to stay in the game."

NEXT WEEK:

More 'one club men' — Everton's Mick Lyons and Crystal Palace star Jim Cannon



- Double European Champions NOTTINGHAM FOREST, who, managed by the NOTORIOUS Brian Clough, have also won the League Cup twice and the First Division title in 1978.
- NORTHERN IRELAND international defenders Jimmy NICHOLL (Man Utd) and Chris NICHOLL (Southampton).
- NORWICH CITY, 1962 League Cup winners, NEWPORT COUNTY, Welsh European Cup Winners' Cup heroes from the Third Division, promotion chasing NOTTS COUNTY, 1893 FA Cup winners and NORTHAMPTON TOWN, who between seasons 1960-61 and 1968-69 went from the Fourth to the First Division and back again!
- Arsenal's new signing from Crystal Palace, Welsh midfielder Peter NICHOLAS, and his goal-grabbing Celtic namesake Charlie NICHOLAS, destined for glory with Scotland.
- NARROWING the angle, a favourite

N IS FOR...

goalkeeping play, the NUTMEG, when the ball is played through an opponents' legs.

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● NEWCASTLE UNITED, four times League champions, six times FA Cup winners and once winners of the European Fairs Cup in 1969.

● Liverpool and England's Phil NEAL, his NAMESAKE Phil NEALE of Lincoln, Dean NEAL of QPR, NOWAK, NIKOLIC and NICHOLSON of Bolton, Paul NEEDHAM (Chester), Dave NEEDHAM (Forest), Clive NATTRASS (Darlington) and Irving NATTRASS (Middlesbrough).

● NINIAN Park, the Cardiff home of World Cup Group 3 qualifying favourites, Wales.

A to Z of soccer

N is for Jimmy NEIGHBOUR, seen here under pressure from Steve Heighway in West Ham's League Cup final with Liverpool at Wembley last month.



DID YOU KNOW...

- NEWCASTLE UNITED had the unique experience in season 1966-67 of returning the worst goal record (39 for 81 against) of all the Football League's 92 clubs yet were not relegated.
- NEW BRIGHTON won all their first four Third Division North matches of season 1950-51 without a goal conceded and then led the table, but they ended up last of the 24 clubs, were voted out of the Football League and replaced by Workington.
- The biggest proportion of drawn matches any club ever played in the Football League in one season was recorded by NORWICH CITY when they finished all square in 23 of their 42 Division One games in 1978-79.

Left: N is for Middlesbrough's Irving NATTRASS.

Right: N is for Liverpool's England full back Phil NEAL.

